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HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA  
37th PARLIAMENT, 3rd SESSION

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

Standing Committee  
on

**HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT,  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 1**

**Thursday, February 19, 2004**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Election of Chair and Vice-Chairs

Future business









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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 1

Thursday, February 19, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:01 a.m. this day, in Room 308 West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Jeannot Castonguay, Tony Ianno, Judi Longfield, Larry McCormick, Brian Pallister, Carol Skelton, Yolande Thibeault and Suzanne Tremblay.

*Acting Members present:* Karen Kraft Sloan for John Finlay, Anita Neville for Paul Bonwick and Monte Solberg for Gary Lunn.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

Pursuant to s.o. 106(1) et (2), the Clerk presided over the election of a Chair and Vice-Chairs.

On motion of Eugène Bellemare, it was agreed, — That Judi Longfield be elected Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Carol Skelton, it was agreed, — That Brian Pallister be elected as Opposition Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Suzanne Tremblay, it was agreed, — That Eugène Bellemare be elected as Government Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Carol Skelton, it was agreed, — That the Committee retain the services of one or more analysts from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, — That, as established by the Board of Internal Economy and at the discretion of the Chair, reasonable travel, accommodation and living expenses be reimbursed to witnesses not exceeding two (2) representatives per organization.

It was agreed, — That, the Committee authorize payment of child care expenses for witnesses appearing before the Committee or one of its Sub-Committees and that such expenses be paid from the Witness Expenses item in the Committee's budget for the fiscal year.

It was agreed, — That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings in order to receive evidence from witnesses when a quorum is not present, provided that five members be present and provided that at least one member of the opposition is present with the provision that, in the case of the absence of either Government or opposition members, the Chair be authorized to call the meeting to order no sooner than 15 minutes after the time indicated on the notice as long as five members are present.



It was agreed, — That the Committee authorize the Chair, in consultation with the Clerk, to make the necessary arrangements to provide working meals, from time to time, and that the cost of these meals be charged to the Committee's budget.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk circulate to all Members of the Committee Order in Council appointments referred to the Standing Committee on Human Resources.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute documents received from the public only once they have been translated in both official languages.

It was agreed, — That one copy of the transcript of all *in camera* meetings be kept in the Committee Clerk's office for consultation.

It was agreed, — That the personal staff of Committee Members and party researchers be enabled to participate in *in camera* meetings.

It was agreed, — That the Committee attempt to meet on Tuesday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

It was agreed, — That unless there is unanimous consent, two days written notice must be given to the members of the Committee before any new item of business is considered by the Committee.

It was moved, - That the Steering Committee on Agenda and Procedure be composed of nine members including the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs, the two Parliamentary Secretaries to the Minister of Human Resources, one other member from the government and one from each of the other parties represented, to be named after the usual consultations with the whips;

Brian Pallister moved, — That the motion be amended by striking out the word "nine" and replacing it by "seven" and by striking out the words "the two Parliamentary Secretaries to the Minister of Human Resources".

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Brian Pallister and it was negatived on the following recorded division: YEAS: Peter Adams, Brian Pallister, Carol Skelton, Suzanne Tremblay — 4; NAYS: Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Jeannot Castonguay, Karen Kraft Sloan, Anita Neville, Yolande Thibeault — 6.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to.

Brian Pallister moved, — That whenever the Main Estimates or the Supplementary Estimates are tabled in the House, the Committee invite the Minister and any relevant Senior Officials of a Department to appear at a televised meeting of the Committee;

That whenever a Chapter of a Report of the Auditor General refers to a subject under the mandate of the Committee, the Committee invite the Office of the Auditor General of Canada and any relevant Senior Officials of a Department to appear at a televised meeting, if possible, of the Committee.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to.

At 9:53 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.



Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/02/20 1:09 p.m.





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Standing Committee  
on

**HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT,  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 2**

**Tuesday, February 24, 2004**

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**IN CAMERA**





## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, February 24, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eugène Bellemare, Paul Bonwick, Jeannot Castonguay, Libby Davies, Judi Longfield, Gary Lunn, Larry McCormick, Grant McNally, Brian Pallister, Carol Skelton and Yolande Thibeault.

*Attendance: Subcommittee on Children and Youth at Risk of the Standing Committee on Human Resources Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities:* Julie Cool. *Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That pursuant to Standing Order 108(1) (a)(b), a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities be established, and that pursuant to 108(2) and (3)(c) the Sub-Committee study among other matters, the proposing, promoting, monitoring and assessment of initiatives aimed at the integration and equality of disabled persons in all sectors of Canadian.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be composed of nine members or associate members of Committee namely: five government members and four members representing the opposition parties to be named after the usual consultations with the whips and files with the Clerk.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee report thereon its findings and recommendations to the committee.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be empowered, except when the House otherwise orders, to send for persons, papers and records, to sit while the House is sitting, to receive evidence, to sit only during a time when the Standing Committee is not sitting, unless otherwise authorized by the Standing Committee, to print from time to time such papers as may be ordered by it and to authorize the Chair to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least 3 members are present including the opposition.

It was agreed, — That the Committee authorize the allocation of sufficient funds from its budget to the Subcommittee for the payment of reasonable travelling and living expenses to witnesses appearing before the Subcommittee.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be empowered to retain the services of analysts from the Library of Parliament.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be empowered to retain professional services as may be required.

It was agreed, — That when the Chair of the Subcommittee is unable to act in that capacity at or during a meeting of the committee, he shall designate a member of the Subcommittee to act as Chair at or during the said meeting.

It was agreed, — That substitution of members on the Subcommittee be in accordance with Standing Order 114.

It was agreed, — That pursuant to Standing Order 108(1) (a)(b), a Subcommittee of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities be established, and that pursuant to 108(2) the Sub-Committee study issues regarding the future of children and youth in Canada.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be composed of nine members or associate members of the Committee namely

five government members and four members representing the opposition parties to be named after the usual consultation with the whips and filed with the Clerk.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee report thereon its findings and recommendations to the Committee.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be empowered, except when the House otherwise orders, to send for persons, papers and records, to sit while the House is sitting, to receive evidence, to sit only during a time when the Standing Committee is not sitting, unless otherwise authorized by the Standing Committee, to print from day to day such papers as may be ordered by it and to authorize the Chair to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least 3 members are present including the opposition.

It was agreed, — That when the Chair of the Subcommittee is unable to act in that capacity at or during a meeting of the Sub-Committee, he shall designate a member of the Sub-Committee to act as Chair at or during the said meeting.

It was agreed, — That substitution of members on the Subcommittee be in accordance with Standing Order 114(2)(b) and (c);.

It was agreed, — That the Committee authorize the allocation of sufficient funds from its budget to the Subcommittee for the payment of reasonable travelling and living expenses to witnesses appearing before the Subcommittee.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee be empowered to retain the services of analysts from the Library of Parliament.

It was agreed, — That it also be empowered to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help as may be required.

It was agreed, — That Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development, and Hon. Liza Frulla, Minister of Social Development be invited to appear in relation to the reorganization of their Departments.

It was agreed, — That the Auditor General and her Officials be invited to appear on Chapters 7 and 10 of her report.

At 9:25 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

2004/02/25 10:14 a.m.

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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 3**

**Thursday, March 11, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Briefing session on the Department's re-organization and other matters

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Liza Frulla, Minister of Social Development

Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development

**WITNESS:**

*Department of Social Development Canada:*

Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security Programs.







## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 3

Thursday, March 11, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met in a televised session at 9:04 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Paul Bonwick, Judi Longfield, Larry McCormick, Brian Pallister and Suzanne Tremblay.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Liza Frulla, Minister of Social Development; Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Nicole Jauvin, Deputy Minister, Social Development Canada; Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security Program; Cynthia Williams, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy; Wayne G. Wouters, Deputy Minister; Andrew Treusch, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Investment Program.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on the Department's re-organization and other matters.

Hon. Joseph Volpe made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:06 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 10:11 a.m., the sitting resumed.

Hon. Liza Frulla made a statement and with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m. the Vice-Chair Eugène Bellemare took the Chair.

At 11:11 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/03/11 3:18 p.m.





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on

### **HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

### **Meeting No. 4**

**Tuesday, March 23, 2004**

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#### **ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Study on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, November 2003; Chapter 7 — Human Resources Development Canada and the Canada Employment Insurance Commission — Measuring and Reporting the Performance of the Employment Insurance Income Benefits Program & Chapter 10 — Other Audit Observations — the Surplus in the Employment Insurance Account

#### **WITNESSES:**

*Office of the Auditor General of Canada:*

Sheila Fraser, Auditor General of Canada;

Yves Genest, Principal;

Suzanne Therrien, Director.





## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 4

Tuesday, March 23, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:05 a.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Paul Bonwick, Tony Ianno, Judi Longfield, Gary Lunn, Larry McCormick, Brian Pallister and Carol Skelton.

*Acting Members present:* Raymonde Folco for Yolande Thibeault and Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Office of the Auditor General of Canada:* Sheila Fraser, Auditor General of Canada; Yves Genest, Principal; Suzanne Therrien, Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, November 2003; Chapter 7 - Human Resources Development Canada and the Canada Employment Insurance Commission - Measuring and Reporting the Performance of the Employment Insurance Income Benefits Program & Chapter 10 - Other Audit Observations - the Surplus in the Employment Insurance Account.

The Auditor General made a statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 10:54 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/03/24 11:31 a.m.





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on

**HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT,  
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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 5**

**Tuesday, March 30, 2004**

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**IN CAMERA**







## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, March 30, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Paul Bonwick, Jeannot Castonguay, Libby Davies, Judi Longfield, Larry Lunn, Larry McCormick, Brian Pallister, Carol Skelton and Suzanne Tremblay.

*Guest Members present:* Ovid Jackson for John Finlay.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That a press release for the 2004 Centennial Flame Research Award be published.

It was agreed, — That the Committee re-schedule the meeting with HRSD officials regarding the Auditor General's report Chapter 7 & 10; invite Privy Council officials to brief the Committee regarding the Order in Council appointments process and invite HRSD and Finance officials regarding progress made on the E.I. premium rate setting.

It was agreed, — That the Committee study access to post-secondary education including but not limited to student loans and re-visit the unanimous report of the Committee on Employment Insurance entitled Beyond C-2.

At 10:15 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

March 31/2004 2:57 p.m.



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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield

**Meeting No. 6**

**Tuesday, April 20, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, November 2003; Chapter 7 - Human Resources Development Canada and the Canada Employment Insurance Commission - Measuring and Reporting the Performance of the Employment Insurance Income Benefits Program & Chapter 10 - Other Audit Observations - the Surplus in the Employment Insurance Account

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eleni Bakopanos  
Eugène Bellemare  
Jeannot Castonguay  
Libby Davies  
Judi Longfield  
Brian Pallister  
Yolande Thibeault

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**



*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Charles Nixon, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Insurance;  
Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program  
Policy and Design;  
Donna Achimov, Director General, Call Centre Harmonization,  
Social Development Canada;  
Liliane Binette, Director General, Insurance Services.

*Department of Finance:*

Réal Bouchard, Director, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social  
Policy Branch.

Charles Nixon made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

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Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 6

Tuesday, April 20, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:00 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Jeannot Castonguay, Libby Davies, Judi Longfield, Brian Pallister and Yolande Thibeault.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Charles Nixon, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Insurance; Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program Policy and Design; Donna Achimov, Director General, Call Centre Harmonization, Social Development Canada; Liliane Binette, Director General, Insurance Services. *Department of Finance:* Réal Bouchard, Director, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study on the Report of the Auditor General of Canada, November 2003; Chapter 7 - Human Resources Development Canada and the Canada Employment Insurance Commission - Measuring and Reporting the Performance of the Employment Insurance Income Benefits Program & Chapter 10 - Other Audit Observations - the Surplus in the Employment Insurance Account.

Charles Nixon made an opening statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 10:30 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

2004/04/20 11:50 a.m.





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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 7**

**Thursday, April 22, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on Employment Insurance premium rate setting review

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eugène Bellemare  
Judi Longfield  
Gary Lunn  
Yolande Thibeault

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Finance:*  
Réal Bouchard, Director, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social  
Policy Branch;  
Louis Lévesque, Assistant Deputy Minister, Federal-Provincial  
Relations and Social Policy Branch.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*  
Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program  
Policy and Design.

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Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 7

Thursday, April 22, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:10 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eugène Bellemare, Judi Longfield, Gary Lunn and Yolande Thibeault.

*Guest Members present:* Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Finance:* Réal Bouchard, Director, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch; Louis Lévesque, Assistant Deputy Minister, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program Policy and Design.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on Employment Insurance premium setting review.

Louis Lévesque made an opening statement and with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 9:54 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

4/04/22 12:05 p.m.





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Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 8**

**Thursday, April 29, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eugène Bellemare,  
Jeannot Castonguay,  
John Finlay,  
Tony Ianno,  
Judi Longfield  
and Yolande Thibeault.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Libby Davies,  
and Jean-Yves Roy for Suzanne Tremblay.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program  
Policy and Design;

Kenneth Kerr, Director General, Active Employment Measures.

*Department of Human Resources Development:*

Gordon McFee, Acting Director General, Insurance Policy.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Jay Wakelin, Chief, Monitoring Assessment and Ministerial  
Services, EI.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 8

Thursday, April 29, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:03 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eugène Bellemare, Jeannot Castonguay, John Finlay, Tony Ianno, Judi Longfield and Yolande Thibeault.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Libby Davies and Jean-Yves Roy for Suzanne Tremblay.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Wilma Vreeswijk, Senior Director General, Employment Program Policy and Design; Kenneth Kerr, Director General, Active Employment Measures. *Department of Human Resources Development:* Gordon McFee, Acting Director General, Insurance Policy. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Jay Wakelin, Chief, Monitoring Assessment and Ministerial Services, EI.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed] its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

Wilma Vreeswijk made a statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 10:53 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/04/29 5:30 p.m.

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Chair: Judi Longfield.

**Meeting No. 9**

**Tuesday, May 4, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee [commenced / resumed] its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eleni Bakopanos,  
Eugène Bellemare,  
Jeannot Castonguay,  
Judi Longfield,  
Gary Lunn  
and Carol Skelton.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Sue Barnes for Tony Ianno,  
Paul Crête for Suzanne Tremblay,  
Yvon Godin for Libby Davies,  
Carmen Provenzano for Yolande Thibeault,  
and Bob Wood for John Finlay.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Confédération des syndicats nationaux:*  
France Bibeau, Research Consultant.

*Canadian Labour Congress:*  
Barb Byers, Executive Vice-President.

*Confédération des syndicats nationaux:*  
Claudette Carbonneau, President.

*Canadian Labour Congress:*  
Kevin Hayes, Senior Economist.

*Centrale des syndicats démocratiques:*  
Normand Pépin, Responsable for the Research Branch.

*Canadian Union of Public Employees:*  
Blair Redlin, Director, Research Branch.

*Fédération des travailleurs et travailleuses du Québec (FTQ):*  
René Roy, General Secretary;  
Marc Bellemare, "conseiller syndical".

*Centrale des syndicats démocratiques:*  
François Vaudreuil, President.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 9

Tuesday, May 4, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met in a televised session at 9:07 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Jeannot Castonguay, Judi Longfield, Gary Lunn and Carol Skelton.

*Acting Members present:* Sue Barnes for Tony Ianno, Paul Crête for Suzanne Tremblay, Yvon Godin for Libby Davies, Carmen Provenzano for Yolande Thibeault and Bob Wood for John Finlay.

*Attendance:* *Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses:* *Confédération des syndicats nationaux:* France Bibeau, Research Consultant. *Canadian Labour Congress:* Barb Byers, Executive Vice-President. *Confédération des syndicats nationaux:* Claudette Carboneau, President. *Canadian Labour Congress:* Kevin Hayes, Senior Economist. *Centrale des syndicats démocratiques:* Normand Pépin, responsible for the Research Branch. *Canadian Union of Public Employees:* Blair Redlin, Director, Research Branch. *Fédération des travailleurs et travailleuses du Québec (FTQ):* René Roy, General Secretary; Marc Bellemare, conseiller syndical". *Centrale des syndicats démocratiques:* François Vaudreuil, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

On motion of Gary Lunn, it was agreed, — That the proposed budget in the amount of \$ 19,500, be adopted.

Barb Byers, Blair Redlin, Claudette Carboneau, François Vaudreuil and René Roy made opening statements and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/05/04 4:49 p.m.





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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 10**

**Thursday, May 6, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams  
Eleni Bakopanos  
Eugène Bellemare  
Judi Longfield  
Carol Skelton  
Yolande Thibeault

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Canadian Construction Association:*  
Michael Atkinson, President.

*Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association:*  
Joyce Reynolds, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs.

*Canadian Construction Association:*  
Dennis Ryan, Director, Industry Human Resources.

*Conseil du patronat du Québec:*

Gilles Taillon, President.

*Retail Council of Canada:*

Peter Woolford, Vice-President, Policy Development and  
Research.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 10

Thursday, May 6, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met in a televised session at 9:04 a.m. this day, in Room 253-D Centre Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Eugène Bellemare, Judi Longfield, Carol Skelton and Rolande Thibeault.

*Guest Members present:* Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Canadian Construction Association:* Michael Atkinson, President. *Canadian Restaurant and Food Services Association:* Joyce Reynolds, Senior Vice President, Government Affairs. *Canadian Construction Association:* Dennis Ryan, Director, Industry Human Resources. *Conseil du patronnat du Québec:* Gilles Taillon, President. *Retail Council of Canada:* Peter Woolford, Vice-President, Policy Development and Research.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

Michael Atkinson, Dennis Ryan, Gilles Taillon, Joyce Reynold and Peter Woolford made a statements and answered questions.

At 10:47 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/05/07 11:31 a.m.





**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 11**

**Tuesday, May 11, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eugène Bellemare  
Judi Longfield  
Gary Lunn  
Yolande Thibeault

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Marcel Gagnon for Suzanne Tremblay;  
Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Memorial University of Newfoundland:*  
Rick Audas, Assistant Professor, Division of Community Health.

*University of Ottawa:*  
David Gray, Associate Professor of economics, Department of economics.

*Canadian Policy Research Networks:*  
Judith Maxwell, President.

*University of Alberta School of Business:*

Alice Nakamura, Professor, Department of Finance and  
Management Science.

*Social Research and Demonstration Corporation:*

Carole Vincent, Senior Research Associate.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 11

Tuesday, May 11, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 9:06 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eugène Bellemare, Judi Longfield, Gary Lunn and Yolande Thibeault.

*Guest Members present:* Marcel Gagnon for Suzanne Tremblay and Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Guests:* *Memorial University of Newfoundland:* Rick Audas, Assistant Professor, Division of Community Health. *University of Ottawa:* David Gray, Associate Professor of economics, Department of economics. *Canadian Policy Research Networks:* Judith Maxwell, President. *University of Alberta School of Business:* Alice Nakamura, Professor, Department of Finance and Management Science. *Social Research and Demonstration Corporation:* Carole Vincent, Senior Research Associate.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

Witnesses made opening statements and answered questions.

At 11:05 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/05/19 2:50 p.m.





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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

Standing Committee  
on

**HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT,  
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Judi Longfield, Lib.

**Meeting No. 12**

**Thursday, May 13, 2004**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 12

Thursday, May 13, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 9:20 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Judi Longfield, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Jeannot Castonguay, Judi Longfield and Suzanne Tremblay.

*Guest Members present:* Yvon Godin for Libby Davies.

*Attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee resumed its Update and Review of Issues Addressed in the Committee's Report entitled: Beyond Bill C-2: A Review of Other Proposals to Reform Employment Insurance.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 9:45 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

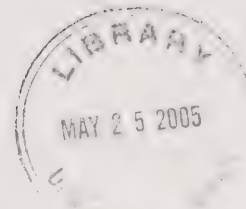
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38th PARLIAMENT, 1st SESSION

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 1**

**Thursday, October 14, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Yves Lessard  
Tony Martin  
Mario Silva  
Peter Van Loan

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Ken Boshcoff for Peter Adams

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER PRESENT:**

Judi Longfield

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

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Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 1

Thursday, October 14, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 3:35 p.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Attending Members present:* Ken Boshcoff for Peter Adams.

*Associate Members present:* Judi Longfield.

*Attendance:* *Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Mario Silva, it was agreed, — That Raymonde Folco be elected Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Barry Devolin, it was agreed, — That Paul Forseth be elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Yves Lessard, it was agreed, — That Christiane Gagnon be elected as Vice-Chair of the Committee.

It was agreed, — That the Committee retain the services of one or more analyst(s) from the Library of Parliament, as needed, to assist the Committee in its work, at the discretion of the Chair.

It was agreed, — That, if requested, reasonable travel, accommodation and living expenses be reimbursed to witnesses not exceeding two (2) representatives per organization.

It was agreed, — That, if requested, reasonable childcare expenses of witnesses be reimbursed.

It was agreed, — That the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure be composed of the Chair, the two Vice-Chairs and one member of the New Democratic Party.

Yves Lessard moved, — That the consideration of the motion on reduced quorum be suspended until the next meeting.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 2; NAYS: 6.

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That the Chair be authorized to hold meetings to receive and publish evidence when a quorum is not present, provided that one member of the opposition is present.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 1.

Paul Forseth moved, — That the Chair be authorized to call the meeting to order no sooner than 15 minutes after the time indicated on the notice as long as four (4) members are present.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 6; NAYS: 2.

It was agreed, — That the Committee authorize the Chair, in consultation with the Clerk, to make the necessary arrangements to provide for working meals, from time to time and that the cost of these meals be charged to the Committee's budget.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk circulate to all Members of the Committee Order in Council appointments referred to the Standing Committee on Human Resources.

Eleni Bakopanos moved, — That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to distribute to the members of the Committee documents only when they exist in both official languages.

Debate arose thereon.

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That the motion be amended by adding after the word "languages;" the following: "and that no documents be distributed without the authority of the Clerk".

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 4; NAYS: 6.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to on division.

It was agreed, — That one copy of the transcript of all *in camera* meetings be kept in the Committee Clerk's office for consultation by members of the Committee.

It was agreed, — That, unless otherwise ordered, each Committee member be allowed to have one staff person present at *in camera* meetings.

It was agreed, — That unless there is unanimous consent, two days written notice must be given before any new item of business be considered by the Committee.

Paul Forseth moved, — That in hearing evidence, the witnesses be allowed a maximum of ten (10) minutes for their presentation and that the rounds of questioning be as follows:

First Round (time includes question and answer)

A. Conservative Party - 7 minutes

B. Block Quebecois - 7 minutes

C. NDP Party - 7 minutes

D. Liberal Party - 7 minutes

Second Round (times includes question and answer)

A. Conservative Party - 5 minutes

B. Liberal Party - 5 minutes

C. Back and forth between the Opposition and the Liberals, at the discretion of the Chair - 5 minutes.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 3.



4:42 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Eugene Morawski  
Committee Clerk

4/10/21 4:29 p.m.

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

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**HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND  
THE STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 2**

**Tuesday, October 19, 2004**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 2

Tuesday, October 19, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:04 a.m. this day, in Room 208 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard and Tony Martin.

*Attending Members present:* Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.

*Attendance:* Parliamentary Information and Research Service: Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed: - That Thursday October 21st, Departmental officials brief the Committee on Bill C-5, "An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings".

It was agreed: - That Committee members submit as soon as possible their list of witnesses for Bill C-5 to be discussed at the Thursday October 21st meeting.

It was agreed: - That Thursday October 21st Committee members choose the winner for the 2004 Centennial Flame Search Award.

At 11:52 a.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/10/20 10:03 a.m.

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 3**

**Thursday, October 21, 2004**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee proceeded to a briefing session on Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Tony Martin,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alain Boire for Yves Lessard,  
and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBER PRESENT:**

Alexa McDonough.

**OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:**

Michel Guimond.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Justice Canada:*

Suzie Beaulieu, Counsel, SDC/HRSDC Legal Services.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada:*

Lenore Burton, Director General, Learning and Literacy  
Directorate;

Marc LeBrun, Director, Canada Education Savings Grant Program.

*Department of Finance:*

Lise Potvin, Senior Chief, Personal Income Tax Division.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada:*

Marie-Josée Thivierge, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human  
Investment Programs.

*Department of Finance:*

David Wurtele, Senior Tax Policy Officer, Deferred Income Plans.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 3

Thursday, October 21, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:03 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Alain Boire for Yves Lessard and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

*Associate Members present:* Alexa McDonough.

*Other Members present:* Michel Guimond.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Justice Canada:* Suzie Beaulieu, Counsel, SDC/HRSDC Legal Services. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada:* Lenore Burton, Director General, Learning and Literacy Directorate; Marc LeBrun, Director, Canada Education Savings Grant Program. *Department of Finance:* Lise Potvin, Senior Chief, Personal Income Tax Division. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada:* Marie-Josée Thivierge, Assistant Deputy Minister, Human Investment Programs. *Department of Finance:* David Wurtele, Senior Tax Policy Officer, Deferred Income Plans.

In accordance with its Order of Reference dated October 14 2004 in relation to Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings, the Committee proceeded to a briefing session.

Marie-Josée Thivierge made an opening statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 12:05 the sitting was suspended.

At 12:13 the sitting resumed in camera.

After debate, It is agreed: - That, in the future, an application form be available for the Centennial Flame Research Award.

After debate, It is agreed: - That Mr. David J. Hains be the recipient of the 2004 Centennial Flame Research Award, providing he is a Canadian citizen.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It is agreed: - That the Steering Committee will meet Thursday October 26 2004 to select the witnesses for the study on Bill C-5.

It is agreed: - That the Canadian Federation of Students, the "Fédération étudiante universitaire du Québec (FEUQ)", the Canadian Association of University Teachers, the "Fédération québécoise des professeurs et professeures d'université" and the Canadian Alliance of Student Association be invited to appear Thursday October 28th 2004 on Bill C-5.

It was moved: - That "pursuant to Standing Order 108 and the Order of reference contained in the address in reply to the Speech from the Throne, the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities study the issue of the Employment Insurance Funds so that the money accumulated is only used for the Employment Insurance Program in the interest of workers and tax payers and that the Committee report back to the House of Commons by June 1, 2005".

It was moved: - That the motion be amended by adding after the words " interest of workers and tax payers" the words " by forming a sub-committee charged to undertake this study" and by striking out the words "June 1, 2005" and substituting the words "December 17, 2004".

By unanimous consent, It was agreed: - That the following motion: "That the Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities Committee, in conformity with the intentions enounced in the Throne Speech voted and adopted on October 20th 2004, study and recommend measures that would ensure that all future uses of the employment insurance program would only be for the benefit of workers and not for any other purpose, and report back to the House of Commons on December 17 2004 at the latest" be withdrawn.

After debate, It was agreed: - That the meeting continue until 1h15 p.m.

After debate the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on the following division:  
YEAS: 7 NAYS: 3

The question being put on the main motion, as amended, it was unanimously agreed to.

At 1:17 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/10/27 6:16 p.m.

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 4**

**Thursday, October 28, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Yves Lessard,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alain Boire for Christiane Gagnon,  
Alain Boire for Yves Lessard,  
Paul Crête for Yves Lessard,  
and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Quebec Federation of University Students:*

Pier-André Bouchard St-Amant, President.

*Canadian Federation of Students:*

Ian Boyko, Campaigns and Government Relations Coordinator.

*Canadian Alliance of Student Associations:*

James Kusie, National Director.

*Canadian Association of University Teachers:*

David Robinson, Associate Executive Director.

*Quebec Federation of University Students:*

Nick Vikander, Vice-President University Affairs.

*Canadian Alliance of Student Associations: -*

Toby White, Government Relations Officer.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 4

Thursday, October 28, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:06 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Alain Boire for Christiane Gagnon, Alain Boire for Yves Lessard, Paul Crête for Yves Lessard and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Quebec Federation of University Students (FEUQ):* Pier-André Bouchard St-Amant, President. *Canadian Federation of Students:* Ian Boyko, Campaigns and Government Relations Coordinator. *Canadian Alliance of Student Associations:* James Kusie, National Director. *Canadian Association of University Teachers:* David Robinson, Associate Executive Director. *Quebec Federation of University Students (FEUQ):* Nick Vikander, Vice-President University Affairs. *Canadian Alliance of Student Associations:* Toby White, Government Relations Officer.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

Ian Boyko, David Robinson, James Kusie and Pier-André Bouchard made a statement and with the other witnesses answered questions.

It was agreed: - That the Committee hear witnesses on C-5 on Tuesday November 2, 2004; that the Sub-committee on Employment Insurance meet on November 4, 2004; that the Committee hear from the Ministers on Estimates November 16 and 23 and from witnesses on C-5 November 18th.

The Chair presented the First Report of the Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure which reads as follows:

The Sub-Committee on Agenda and Procedure of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities has the honor to present its FIRST REPORT to the Standing Committee. Your Sub-Committee met Thursday October 26th and agreed to make the following recommendations:

- That the selection of witnesses on Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings be grouped under four categories: 1- Student / Teacher Representatives (October 28th), 2- Community Advocates / Parental Association and Union Organizations (November 2nd ), 3- Experts Research Organizations and RESP Promoters (November 4th ), 4- Others (November 16th )



and: - That each party submit as soon as possible to the Clerk the name of one organization they would like to see appear under each category.

- That pursuant to Standing Order 108(1) (a)(b), a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities be established, and that pursuant to 108(2) the Sub-Committee study issues of the Employment Insurance Funds.

- That the Sub-Committee be chaired by a liberal member and composed of five members or associate members of the Committee namely one government member and one member representing the Conservative Party, one member representing the Bloc Québécois and one member representing the New Democratic Party to be named after the usual consultations with the whips and filed with the Clerk.

- That the Sub-Committee report thereon its findings and recommendations to the Committee.

- That the Sub-Committee be empowered, except when the House otherwise orders, to send for persons, papers and records, to sit while the House is sitting, to receive evidence, to sit only during a time when the Standing Committee is not sitting, unless otherwise authorized by the Standing Committee, to print from day to day such papers as may be ordered by it and to authorize the Chair to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three members are present including the opposition.

- That when the Chair of the Sub-Committee is unable to act in that capacity at or during a meeting of the Sub-Committee, he shall designate a member of the Sub-Committee to act as Chair at or during the said meeting.

- That substitution of members on the Sub-Committee be in accordance with Standing Order 114(2)(b) and (c).

- That the Committee authorize the allocation of sufficient funds from its budget to the Sub-Committee for the payment of reasonable travelling and living expenses to witnesses appearing before the Sub-Committee.

- That the Sub-Committee be empowered to retain the services of analysts from the Library of Parliament.

- That it also be empowered to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help as may be required.

It was agreed: - That the First Report of the Steering Committee be concurred in taking into account the amendments to the dates the Committee as adopted earlier.

At 12:58 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/10/29 12:38 p.m.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 5**

**Tuesday, November 2, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alain Boire for Yves Lessard,  
Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki,  
and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Rideau River Residence Association:*

Braden Hutchinson, Vice-President.

*Social and Enterprise Development Innovations:*

Peter Nares, Executive Director;  
Jennifer Robson-Haddow, Manager Policy Research and  
Development.

*Tristat Resources:*

Richard Shillington, Principal.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 5

Tuesday, November 2, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Alain Boire for Yves Lessard, Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Rideau River Residence Association:* Braden Hutchinson, Vice-President. *Social and Enterprise Development Innovations:* Peter Nares, Executive Director; Jennifer Robson-Haddow, Manager Policy Research and Development. *Tristat Resources:* Richard Shillington, Principal.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

Peter Nares, Braden Hutchinson and Richard Shillington made a statement and, with the other witness, answered questions.

It was agreed: -That Peter Adams and Alain Boire table with the Clerk the figures regarding the administrative cost of the program for the post-secondary education savings plan and that the information be distributed to all Committee members.

At 12:29, the Committee proceeded to discuss its future business in camera.

It was moved: -That Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities strike a Sub-Committee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

After debate, it was agreed: -That the Committee postpone its decision until November 16th when the Chair will report back regarding the resources available for this Sub-Committee.

It was moved: -That Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities study the issue of Child Care as it relates to the OECD Thematic Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Policy released on October 25, 2004 and invites its authors to present to Committee on their findings.

After debate, it is proposed: -That the words: "when the House resumes after the Christmas break" be

added at the end of the motion.

After debate, the question being put on the amendment, it was agreed to on the following division:  
YEAS:9 NAYS:1.

The question being put on the main motion as amended, it was agreed to on the following division:  
YEAS:9 NAYS:1.

It was agreed: -That authors or researchers within Canada be invited to report to the Committee on the OECD Thematic Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Policy.

At 12:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/11/03 4:21 p.m.

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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 6**

**Tuesday, November 16, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2004-2005: Votes 1, 5, 10, 15 and 20 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, October 8, 2004.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Libby Davies for Tony Martin,  
and Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development);

Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing;

Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development and Deputy Minister of Labour;

Terry Hearn, Comptroller;

Wayne G. Wouters, Deputy Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:*

Karen Kinsley, President.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 6

Tuesday, November 16, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:06 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Libby Davies for Tony Martin and Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development); Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing; Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development and Deputy Minister of Labour; Terry Hearn, Comptroller; Wayne G. Wouters, Deputy Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development. *Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:* Karen Kinsley, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2004-2005: Votes 1, 5, 10, 15 and 20 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, October 8, 2004.

The Chair calls Votes 1, 5, 10, 15 and 20 under Human Resources and Skills Development.

The Hon. Joe Fontana made statement and, with the other witnesses answered questions.

At 12:08 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:10 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Hon. Joe Fontana and the Hon. Claudette Bradshaw made statements and, with the other witnesses answered questions.

It was agreed, — That the Ministers Fontana, Volpe and Bradsaw be invited to re-appear before the Committee at a later date.

At 1:09 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/11/17 11:12 a.m.

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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 7**

**Thursday, November 18, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alain Boire for Yves Lessard,  
and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**



*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*University College of Cape Breton Students' Union:*  
Jamie Crane, President, Local 95.

*Fédération des associations de familles monoparentales et recomposées  
du Québec:*

Lorraine Desjardins, Project Officer;  
Sylvie Lévesque, Director General.

*Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation:*  
Peter Lewis, Vice-President.

*As an Individual:*  
André Lareau.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 7

Thursday, November 18, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:16 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Alain Boire for Yves Lessard and Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: University College of Cape Breton Students' Union:* Jamie Crane, President, Local 95. *Fédération des associations de familles monoparentales et recomposées du Québec:* Lorraine Desjardins, Project officer; Sylvie Lévesque, Director General. *Canadian Scholarship Trust Foundation:* Peter Lewis, Vice-President. *As an Individual:* André Lareau.

It was agreed, —That the Committee proceed to Committee Business before hearing the witnesses.

On motion of Paul Forseth, it was agreed, — That pursuant to Standing Order 108(1) (a)(b), a Sub-Committee of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities be established, and that pursuant to 108(2) the Sub-Committee study issues regarding the status of persons with disabilities;

- That the Sub-Committee be chaired by liberal member and composed of four (4) members or associate members of the Committee namely one (1) government member, one (1) member representing the Conservative Party, one (1) member representing the Bloc Québécois and one (1) member representing the New Democratic Party to be named after the usual consultations with the whips and filed with the Clerk;

- That the Sub-Committee report thereon its findings and recommendations to the Committee;

- That the Sub-Committee be empowered, except when the House otherwise orders, to send for persons, papers and records, to sit while the House is sitting, to receive evidence, to sit only during a time when the Standing Committee is not sitting, unless otherwise authorized by the Standing Committee, to print from day to day such papers as may be ordered by it and to authorize the Chair to hold meetings to receive evidence when a quorum is not present provided that at least three members are present including the opposition;

- That when the Chair of the Sub-Committee is unable to act in that capacity at or during a meeting of the Sub-Committee, he shall designate a member of the Sub-Committee to act as Chair at or during the said meeting;

- That substitution of members on the Sub-Committee be in accordance with Standing Order 14(2)(b) and (c);
- That the Committee authorize the allocation of sufficient funds from its budget to the Sub-Committee for the payment of reasonable travelling and living expenses to witnesses appearing before the Sub-Committee;
- That the Sub-Committee be empowered to retain the services of analysts from the Library of Parliament and;
- That it also be empowered to retain the professional, clerical and stenographic help as may be required.

It was agreed, — That the issue regarding Standing Committee members not members of the Subcommittee taking part in the proceedings of the Subcommittee be discussed at the end of the November 25th meeting .

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:45 p.m., Paul Forseth, Vice-Chair took the Chair.

At 12:57 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/11/19 3:06 p.m.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
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Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 8**

**Tuesday, November 23, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2004-2005: Votes 1 and 5 under Human Resources Development (Social Development) referred to the Committee on Friday, October 8, 2004.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development;  
Hon. Tony Ianno, Minister of State (Families and Caregivers).

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Social Development:*

David Baxter, Comptroller, Social Development;  
Nicole Jauvin, Deputy Minister, Social Development Canada;  
Ross MacLeod, Director General, Income Security Programs;  
Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security  
Programs.

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 8

Tuesday, November 23, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development; Hon. Tony Ianno, Minister of State (Families and Caregivers).

*Witnesses: Department of Social Development:* David Baxter, Comptroller, Social Development; Nicole Jauvin, Deputy Minister, Social Development Canada; Ross MacLeod, Director General, Income Security Programs; Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security Programs.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2004-2005: Votes 1 and 5 under Human Resources Development (Social Development) referred to the Committee on Friday, October 8, 2004.

The Hon. Ken Dryden and the Hon. Tony Ianno made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:49 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/11/24 8:11 a.m.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 9**

**Thursday, November 25, 2004**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alain Boire for Yves Lessard,  
Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin,  
and Merv Tweed for Ed Komarnicki.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*House of Commons:*

Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk;

Jean-François Lafleur, Legislative Clerk;

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Peter Adams, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Lenore Burton, Director General, Learning and Literacy Directorate.

*Department of Finance:*

David Wurtele, Senior Tax Policy Officer, Deferred Income Plans;

Serge Dupont, General Director, Tax Policy Branch;

Serge Nadeau, Director, Personal Income Tax Division.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Christian D.R. Beaulieu, Senior Counsel and Team Leader, Justice;

Barb Schwartz, Senior Policy Analyst, Learning and Literacy Directorate.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 9

Thursday, November 25, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Alain Boire for Yves Lessard, Alexa McDonough for Tony Martin and Merv Tweed for Ed Komarnicki.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst. *House of Commons:* Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk; Jean-François Lafleur, Legislative Clerk.

*Appearing:* Hon. Peter Adams, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Lenore Burton, Director General, Learning and Literacy Directorate. *Department of Finance:* David Wurtele, Senior Tax Policy Officer, Deferred Income Plans; Serge Dupont, General Director, Tax Policy Branch; Serge Nadeau, Director, Personal Income Tax Division. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Christian D.R. Beaulieu, Senior Counsel and Team Leader, Justice; Barb Schwartz, Senior Policy Analyst, Learning and Literacy Directorate.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Thursday, October 14, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-5, An Act to provide financial assistance for post-secondary education savings.

It was agreed, — That the Committee consider the clauses with proposed amendments before going through the Bill clause by clause.

On Clause 3.1,

Alain Boire moved, — That Bill C-5 be amended by adding after line 28 on page 2 the following new clause:

“3.1 The Minister shall take any measures that are necessary to carry out the purpose set out in section 3, including making known to Canadians, through informational and promotional activities, the existence of CES grants and Canada Learning Bonds and any terms and conditions.”

Debate arose thereon.

Peter Van Loan moved, — That the amendment be amended by deleting the word “any ” and the words “that are” in the English version only.



After debate, the question was put on the subamendment of Peter Van Loan and it was agreed to.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Alain Boire, as amended, and it was agreed to.

On Clause 5,

Peter Van Loan moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 5, be amended by replacing line 1 on page 3 with the following:

“education savings plan by or on behalf of a subscriber under the”

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Peter Van Loan and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 10; NAYS: 1.

Peter Adams moved, — That Bill C-5 be amended by adding after line 37 on page 7 the following new clause:

“9.1 (1) On application made by the primary caregiver of the beneficiary or, if the beneficiary is 18 years of age or more, by the beneficiary, the Minister may, to avoid undue hardship, waive any of the requirements of this Act or the regulations that relate to the payment of CES grants or Canada Learning Bonds and that are specified in regulations made under paragraph 13(g). The application must be in the form and manner approved by the Minister.

(2) Despite subsection (1), the Minister may not waive any requirement related to the determination of eligibility for a child tax benefit or a national child benefit supplement, or for a special allowance under the *Children's Special Allowances Act*.”

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Peter Adams and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 10; NAYS: 1.

On motion of Peter Adams, it was agreed on division, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 13, be amended

(a) by replacing line 14 on page 9 with the following:

“13. The Governor in Council may make”

(b) by replacing lines 5 to 9 on page 10 with the following:

“(g) specifying the requirements of this Act or the regulations relating to the payment of CES grants or Canada Learning Bonds that may be waived by the Minister to avoid undue hardship;”

(c) by replacing lines 10 to 14 on page 10 with the following:

“(h) governing or prohibiting the sharing of CES grants or Canada Learning Bonds, and the earnings generated on them;”

(d) by deleting lines 33 to 39 on page 10.

On Clause 13,

Alain Boire moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 13, be amended by deleting lines 18 to 23 on page 10.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Alain Boire and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 4; NAYS: 6.

On Clause 21,

Peter Van Loan moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 21, be amended by adding after line 42 on page 14 the following:

**“(7.1) Clause 146.1(2)(g.1)(i)(A) of the Act is replaced by the following:**

(A) the individual is at that time enrolled as a full-time or part-time student in a qualifying educational program at a post-secondary educational institution, or”

After debate, the Chair ruled the proposed amendment admissible because it does not go beyond the Royal Recommendation .

The question was put on the amendment of Peter Van Loan and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 9; NAYS: 1.

Peter Adams moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 21, be amended by adding after line 25 on page 15 the following:

**“(9.1) Subsection 146.1(2.2) of the Act is replaced by the following:**

(2.2) The Minister may, on written application of the promoter of a registered education savings plan, waive the application of the conditions in clause (2)(d.1)(iii)(A) in respect of the plan where a beneficiary under the plan suffers from a severe and prolonged mental impairment that prevents, or can reasonably be expected to prevent, the beneficiary from enrolling in a qualifying educational program at a post-secondary educational institution.”

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Peter Adams and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 9; NAYS: 1.

Peter Adams moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 21, be amended by replacing line 20 on page 16 with the following:

“Human Resources Development or the Minister of State to be styled Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development has ap-”

The question was put on the amendment of Peter Adams and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 10; NAYS: 1.

On Clause 23,

Peter Adams moved, — That Bill C-5, in Clause 23, be amended by replacing line 33 on page 16 with the following:

**“sections 4, 12, 17 and 20 to 22, come into force”**

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Peter Adams and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 10; NAYS: 1.

Clauses 2 to 4 inclusive carried on division severally.

Clause 5, as amended, carried on division.

Clauses 6 to 12 inclusive carried on division severally.

Clause 13, as amended, carried on division.

Clauses 14 to 20 inclusive carried on division severally.

Clause 21, as amended, carried on division.

Clause 22 carried on division.

Clause 23, as amended, carried on division.

The Short Title carried on division.

The Title carried on division.

The Bill , as amended, carried.

ORDERED, — That the Chair report the Bill, as amended, to the House.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

The Sub-Committee referred to the Committee the question of whether main Committee members, who are not members of the Sub-Committee, participate in the questioning of witnesses appearing before the Sub-Committee.

It was agreed, — That since article 119 states:

“-Any Member of the House who is not a member of a standing, special or legislative committee, may, unless the House or the Committee concerned otherwise orders, take part in the public proceedings of the committee, but may not vote or move any motion, nor be part of any quorum.”

The Sub-committee should be the master of its own proceedings and, if the Sub-Committee wishes to adopt a motion that only members of the Sub-committee can take part in its public proceedings the Sub-committee should make that decision. If the Sub-committee does not adopt such a motion, any members of the House who is not a member of the Sub-committee can take part in the public proceedings of the Sub-committee .

At 12:56 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/11/26 12:08 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 10**

**Tuesday, November 30, 2004**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Yves Lessard  
Tony Martin  
Mario Silva  
Peter Van Loan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills  
Development.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Andrew Treusch, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy and  
Planning;

Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and  
Accountability;

Michèle René de Cotret, Senior Counsel.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 10

Tuesday, November 30, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:07 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Joseph Volpe, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Andrew Treusch, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy and Planning; Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and Accountability; Michèle René de Cotret, Senior Counsel.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of November 23, 2004, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

The Minister made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

It was agreed, — That December 2nd the Subcommittee on the Employment Insurance Funds met in lieu of the main Committee.

It was agreed, — That December 7th, if Bill C-22, *An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts* is referred to the Committee, Minister Dryden and his officials be invited to appear.

It was agreed, — That December 9th, the Committee hear all other witnesses on C-23 and possibly C-22 if it has then been referred to the Committee.

At 12:48 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2004/12/10 9:12 a.m.



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Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 11**

**Thursday, December 9, 2004**

**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of December 7, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**



*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Study Committee on Seasonal Work:*

Normand Carrier, President.

*Canadian Labour Congress:*

Kevin Hayes, Senior Economist;

Hassan Yussuff, Secretary Treasurer.

*Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada:*

Jennifer Stoddart, Privacy Commissioner of Canada;

Hedy Kirkby, Legal Counsel.

*Canadian Council on Social Development:*

Marcel Lauzière, President.

*Northern College of Applied Arts and Technology, Community  
Employment Services:*

Lisette Ouellette, Employment Consultant.

*Canadian Construction Association:*

Dennis Ryan, Director, Industry, Human Resources.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 11

Thursday, December 9, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:11 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Study Committee on Seasonal Work:* Normand Carrier, President. *Canadian Labour Congress:* Kevin Hayes, Senior Economist; Hassan Yussuff, Secretary Treasurer. *Office of the Privacy Commissioner of Canada:* Jennifer Stoddart, Privacy Commissioner of Canada; Hedy Kirkby, Legal Counsel. *Canadian Council on Social Development:* Marcel Lauzière, President. *Northern College of Applied Arts and Technology, Community Employment Services:* Lisette Ouellette, Employment Consultant. *Canadian Construction Association:* Dennis Ryan, Director, Industry, Human Resources.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of December 7, 2004, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

Jennifer Stoddart made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:02 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:05 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Hassan Yussuff, Lisette Ouellette, Dennis Ryan, Marcel Lauzière and Normand Carrier made statements and with the other witness, answered questions.

At 1:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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DEVELOPMENT, SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE  
STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 12**

**Tuesday, December 14, 2004**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 12

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:12 a.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin and Derek Lee for Eleni Bakopanos.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Subcommittee on Employment Insurance Funds.

It was agreed, — That the Committee submit a partial report to fulfill the Committee's motion to table a report on Employment Insurance Funds and that the Committee re-visit what is not included in the report in February.

At 1:59 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 13**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 13

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 5:07 p.m. this day, in Room 307 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin and Raymond Simard for Mario Silva.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Subcommittee on Employment Insurance Funds.

It was agreed, — That the Committee's partial report include recommendations 1 to 8 inclusive; that the text up to recommendation 8 be tabled, and that the last paragraph of the introduction be substituted with the following: "The Committee has had the opportunity to discuss and adopt the first eight recommendations of the Subcommittee's report which are the main body of this interim Report. The Committee as not yet had the opportunity to consider the balance of the Subcommittee's recommendations which can be found as attached in Appendix A of this Report".

It was agreed, — That recommendations 9 to 28, which have not been voted on, be considered as a matter of priority as soon as the House reconvenes and that additional meetings be scheduled to reach that goal if necessary.

It was agreed, — That the report "Restoring Financial Governance and Accessibility in the Employment Insurance Program - Part 1" (as amended) of the Subcommittee on Employment Insurance Funds be adopted as the Second Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government provide a comprehensive response to this Report within one hundred and fifty (150) days.

At 5:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 14**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, December 7, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Yves Lessard  
Tony Martin  
Mario Silva  
Peter Van Loan

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Hon. Denis Paradis for Peter Adams  
David Smith for Jean-Claude D'Amours

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;

Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Social Development:*

Johanne Bélisle, Director General, Corporate Planning, Horizontal Initiatives and International Relations;

Peter Hicks, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Strategic Direction, Assistant Deputy Minister's Office.

*Department of Justice:*

Julie Lalonde-Goldenberg, Team Leader and General Counsel, SDC/HRSDC Legal Services.

*Department of Social Development:*

Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security Programs.

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Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 14

Tuesday, February 1, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 3:25 p.m. this day, in Room 209 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Denis Paradis for Peter Adams and David Smith for Jean-Claude D'Amours.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Social Development:* Johanne MT Bélisle, Director General, Corporate Planning, Horizontal Initiatives and International Relations; Peter Hicks, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Strategic Direction, Assistant Deputy Minister's Office. *Department of Justice:* Julie Lalonde-Goldenberg, Team Leader and General Counsel, SDC/HRSDC Legal Services. *Department of Social Development:* Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Income Security Programs.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of December 7, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

The Minister made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 4:48 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 4:53 p.m., the Committee proceeded to sit *in camera* to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That the budget in the amount of \$ 6,849, be adopted to reimburse costs regarding the OECD Thematic Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Policy.

It was agreed, — That the Committee sit in La Promenade Building on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 a.m..

It was agreed, — That February 8 and February 17, 2005, the Committee resume its study of the report of the Subcommittee on Employment Insurance Funds and that February 10 and February 15, 2005 be dedicated to the clause by clause study of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

At 5:50 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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2005/02/02 4:20 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 15**

**Thursday, February 3, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on November 2, 2004, the Committee commenced its study of the issue of Child Care as it relates to the OECD Thematic Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Policy released on October 25, 2004 and invite its authors to present to committee on their findings.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Mario Silva  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Carol Skelton for Ed Komarnicki.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Jane Beach and Associates Inc.:*

Jane Beach, Consultant, Child care research and policy.

*Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development:*

John Bennett, Director of Education, Project Manager, Early  
Childhood Review, Education and Training Policy  
Division.

*University of Guelph:*

Gillian Doherty, Adjunct Professor.

*University of Toronto:*

Martha Friendly, Co-ordinator, Childcare Resource and Research  
Unit.

*Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development:*

Abrar Hasan, Head of Education and Training Policy Division,  
Directorate for Education, OECD.

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Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 15

Thursday, February 3, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:03 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Mario Silva and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Carol Skelton for Ed Komarnicki.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Jane Beach and Associates Inc.:* Jane Beach, Consultant, Child care research and policy. *Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development:* John Bennett, Director of Education, Project Manager, Early Childhood Review, Education and Training Policy Division. *University of Guelph:* Gillian Doherty, Adjunct Professor. *University of Toronto:* Martha Friendly, Co-ordinator, Childcare Resource and Research Unit. *Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development:* Abrar Hasan, Head of Education and Training Policy Division, Directorate for Education, OECD.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on November 2, 2004, the Committee commenced its study on the issue of Child Care as it relates to the OECD Thematic Review of Early Childhood Education and Care Policy released on October 25, 2004 and invite its authors to present to committee on their findings.

The witnesses made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 16**

**Tuesday, February 8, 2005**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 16

Tuesday, February 8, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:07 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin, Dominic LeBlanc for Mario Silva and Denis Paradis for Eleni Bakopanos.

*Attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on October 21, 2004 and December 14, 2004, the Committee resumed its study on the Employment Insurance Funds.

It was agreed, — That the complete Report (including Part 1 that was tabled in December) be tabled in the House.

It was agreed, — That the report “Restoring Financial Governance and Accessibility in the Employment Insurance Program” (as amended) of the Subcommittee on Employment Insurance Funds be adopted as the Third Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk be authorized to make such editorial and typographical changes as necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

It was agreed, — That the Chair be authorised to table the Report in the House.

It was agreed, — That the Committee print up to 550 copies of its Report in a bilingual format.

It was agreed, — That, the Committee request that the Government provide a comprehensive response to this Report by May 15, 2005.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108 (1) (a), the Committee authorizes the printing of the dissenting opinion of Conservative Party as an appendix to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair; that the dissenting opinion be limited to not more than 5 pages; (font = 12; line spacing = 1.5) and that the dissenting opinion be delivered in electronic format in both official languages to the Clerk of the Committee not later than twelve noon, Tuesday, February 10th, 2005.

At 1:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 17**

**Thursday, February 10, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Paul Crête for Christiane Gagnon,  
and Peter Julian for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*House of Commons:*

Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Justice:*

Michelle René de Cotret, Legal Council.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and Accountability;

Andrew Treusch, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy and Planning.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 17

Thursday, February 10, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Paul Crête for Christiane Gagnon and Peter Julian for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst. *House of Commons:* Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk.

*Witnesses: Department of Justice:* Michelle René de Cotret, Legal Council. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and Accountability; Andrew Treusch, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy and Planning.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That a letter be circulated to members regarding the review of prior appointments and that their comments be sent to the Clerk before the meeting scheduled Tuesday, February 15th, 2005.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, November 23, 2004, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

The Committee commenced its clause-by-clause study of the Bill.

On Clause 24.1,

Yves Lessard moved, — That Bill C-23 be amended by adding after line 19 on page 9 the following new clause:

“**24.1** (1) Not later than November 30 in each year, the Commission shall set the premium rate that the Commission considers will, to the extent possible, over a business cycle,

(a) serve the best interests of the contributors and beneficiaries under the employment insurance system;

(b) ensure that there is enough revenue to pay the expenses authorized to be charged to the Employment Insurance Account;

(c) maintain stable rate levels; and

(d) ensure that the difference between the assets and liabilities of the Employment Insurance Account does not exceed fifteen billion dollars.

(2) On the first day of October in each year, the Commission shall cause a report to be sent to the Minister containing

(a) the reasons for setting the premium rate for the year;

(b) any change to the amount of benefits that the Commission considers will, to the extent possible, over a business cycle,

(i) ensure that there is enough revenue to pay the expenses authorized to be charged to the Employment Insurance Account, and

(ii) maintain stable rate levels;

(c) a detailed description of the assets of the Commission on the first day of September in each year;

(d) a detailed description of the amounts that have been paid into or paid out of the Employment Insurance Account since the previous report;

(e) an estimate of the amounts to be paid into the Employment Insurance Account under the *Employment Insurance Act* for the following year, calculated on the basis of the premium rate set by the Commission in the report;

(f) an estimate of the amounts to be paid out of the Employment Insurance Account under the *Employment Insurance Act* for the following year, calculated on the basis of the amount of benefits to be paid set by the Commission in the report;

(g) any recommendations that the Commission considers necessary for the improvement of the employment insurance system, including amendments to Acts, regulations and policies with respect to employment insurance; and

(h) any other information that the Commission considers necessary.

(3) The Minister shall cause a copy of the report to be laid before each House of Parliament on any of the first five days on which that House is sitting after the Minister receives it."

Debate arose thereon.

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it was beyond the scope of the Bill, as provided on page 654 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

Whereupon, Paul Crête appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question: "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?" was put and the decision was sustained, by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 3.

On Clause 64,

Yves Lessard moved, — That Bill C-23, in Clause 64, be amended by replacing lines 32 and 33 on page 23 with the following:

**“64. Sections 66 to 66.3 of the *Employment Insurance Act* are repealed.**

**64.1 Sections 127 and 128 of the Act are repealed.”**

Debate arose thereon.

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it was beyond the scope of the Bill, as provided on page 654 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

On Clause 20,

Yves Lessard moved, — That Bill C-23, in Clause 20, be amended by replacing line 36 on page 6 with the following:

**“Commission consisting of 17 commissioners”**

Debate arose thereon.

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it infringed on the financial initiative of the Crown, as provided on page 655 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

Yves Lessard moved, — That Bill C-23, in Clause 20, be amended by replacing line 39 on page 6 and lines 1 to 10 on page 7 with the following:

**“The 17 commissioners are the following: the deputy minister of Human Resources and Skills Development, who is the President of the Commission, an assistant deputy minister who is the vice-president, a third member representing the government, 7 persons named after consultations with the union's organizations”**

Debate arose thereon.

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it infringed on the financial initiative of the Crown, as provided on page 655 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

Clauses 3 to 15 inclusive carried on division severally.

At 12:40, the committee suspended due to technical problems.

At 12:42, the sitting resumed.

At 12:46, the Committee suspended due to technical problems.

At 1:05, the sitting resumed, in room 701 La Promenade Building.

Clauses 16 and 17 carried severally.

Paul Crête moved, — That clause 18, line 1, be amended by substituting the word “may” with the word

“shall”.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Paul Crête and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 7.

Paul Crête moved, — That article 18 be amended by deleting paragraph 4.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Paul Crête and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 2; NAYS: 9.

Clauses 18 and 19 carried on division severally.

By unanimous consent, Clause 20 was allowed to stand.

Clauses 21 to 23 inclusive carried on division severally.

Yves Lessard moved, — That article 24 be amended by deleting paragraph 2.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Yves Lessard and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 8.

The question: "That the Committee continue to sit until 13:50" was put and was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 5; NAYS: 6.

At 1:35 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 18**

**Tuesday, February 15, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Yves Lessard  
and Yasmin Ratansi.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Paul Crête for Christiane Gagnon,  
Yvon Godin for Tony Martin,  
and Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and  
Accountability.

*Privy Council Office:*

Michèle René de Cotret, Senior Privy Council Officer/Counsel.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 18

Tuesday, February 15, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Yves Lessard and Yasmin Ratansi.

*Acting Members present:* Paul Crête for Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin for Tony Martin and Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Barbara Glover, Director General, Corporate Planning and Accountability. *Privy Council Office:* Michèle René de Cotret, Senior Privy Council Officer/Counsel.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

On motion of Paul Forseth, it was agreed, — That the draft letter regarding the prior review of appointments be sent to the Honorable Don Boudria adding the position of Ethics Commissioner.

Paul Forseth moved, — That the amended version of the press release regarding the tabling of the Employment Insurance Funds report be adopted.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 0.

Eleni Bakopanos moved, — That all amendments must be submitted to the Clerk in both official languages 48 hours before the start of the study of a Bill unless there is unanimous consent to the contrary.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, November 23, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-23, An Act to establish the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

Clauses 2, 20 and 23 to 85 inclusive carried on division severally.

The Short Title carried on division.

The Title carried on division.

The Bill carried.

ORDERED, — That the Chair report the Bill to the House.

At 12:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/02/16 2:32 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib

**Meeting No. 19**

**Thursday, February 17, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, December 7, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Yves Lessard  
Tony Martin  
Yasmin Ratansi  
Peter Van Loan

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Susan Kadis for Yasmin Ratansi.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Parliamentary Information and Research Service:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*House of Commons:*

Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Social Development:*

Johanne MT Bélisle, Director General, Corporate Planning,  
Horizontal Initiatives and International Relations;

Peter Hicks, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Strategic  
Direction, Assistant Deputy Minister's Office;

Julie Lalonde-Goldenberg, General Counsel and Deputy Director,  
Legal Services;

Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Social Development  
Sectors.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 19

Thursday, February 17, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Susan Kadis for Yasmin Ratansi.

*In attendance: Parliamentary Information and Research Service:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst. *House of Commons:* Susan Baldwin, Legislative Clerk.

*Witnesses: Department of Social Development:* Johanne MT Bélisle, Director General, Corporate Planning, Horizontal Initiatives and International Relations; Peter Hicks, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy and Strategic Direction, Assistant Deputy Minister's Office; Julie Lalonde-Goldenberg, General Counsel and Deputy Director, Legal Services; Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister, Social Development Sectors.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Tuesday, December 7, 2004, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-22, An Act to establish the Department of Social Development and to amend and repeal certain related Acts.

Pursuant to Standing Order 75(1), consideration of Clause 1 is postponed.

The Chair calls Clause 2.

Clauses 2 to 4 inclusive carried on division severally.

On Clause 5,

Tony Martin moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 5, be amended by adding after line 27 on page 2 the following:

“(3) In this section, “social development of Canada” means a process of coordinated social change that

(a) promotes the social well-being of the population of Canada as a whole and of disadvantaged groups within it;

(b) aims to integrate a policy of social and economic justice;

(c) improves health, education, housing, employment, living standards and safety; and

(d) develops social policy on a holistic and communal basis as well as an individual basis.”

Debate arose thereon.

The question was put on the amendment of Tony Martin and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 1; NAYS: 9.

Clause 5 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 6; NAYS: 2.

Clause 6 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

On Clause 7,

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 7, be amended by replacing line 38 on page 2 with the following:

“7. (1) The Minister may, with the agreement of the provinces, in exercising the”

Debate arose thereon.

The question was put on the amendment of Christiane Gagnon and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 2; NAYS: 8.

On Clause 7,

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 7, be amended by adding after line 3 on page 3 the following:

“(2) The Minister shall provide, to every province that refuses to give its agreement for a program, unconditional financial compensation equal to the portion of the grants and contributions that the Minister would have provided in support of the program in the province.”

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it infringed on the financial initiative of the Crown, as provided on page 655 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

Whereupon, Yves Lessard appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question: "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?" was put and the decision was sustained, by a show of hands: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 2.

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 7, be amended by adding after line 3 on page 3 the following:

“The Minister shall provide, to every province that refuses to give its agreement for a program, unconditionel financial compensation.”

The Chair ruled the proposed amendment inadmissible because it infringed on the financial initiative of the Crown, as provided on page 655 of House of Commons Procedure and Practice.

Clause 7 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

On Clause 7.1,

Tony Martin moved, — That Bill C-22 be amended by adding after line 3 on page 3 the following new clause:

“7.1 In exercising the powers and performing the duties or functions assigned to the Minister under this or any other Act, the Minister shall consider the following principal elements of a social development approach:

(a) social protection that provides a safety net for persons by

(i) providing a minimum level of income to persons who become unemployed, sick, or otherwise unable to work,

(ii) providing access to affordable health services for persons who are sick or disabled, and accommodation assistance for persons with housing needs, and

(iii) ensuring that support is available to individuals and families;

(b) a social investment strategy that

(i) reduces the future burden on the social protection system,

(ii) provides the flexibility and resilience required to deal with future pressures on Canadian society,

(iii) builds capacity within different levels of government and civil society,

(iv) sets short- and long-term goals with targets and timetables, and

(v) includes a gender and race analysis of existing and future social policy initiatives;

(c) an active approach that helps persons move towards economic self-reliance by

(i) ensuring that policies and services meet immediate needs, and

(ii) focusing on achieving long-term outcomes for individuals and families;

(d) public participation, achieved by

(i) establishing meaningful mechanisms to ensure democratic participation in all spheres of public life, including mechanisms to ensure the participation of disabled persons, and

(ii) empowering poor or disadvantaged persons by providing them with access to information and knowledge about their rights, and evaluating the outcome of mechanisms put in place to ensure such access.”

Peter Adams moved, — That the amendment be amended by replacing the paragraph “(V) includes a gender and race analysis of existing and future social policy initiatives;” with the paragraph “(V) includes comparative analysis of the impact of social policies on the various groups that compromises



Canadian society;”

Debate arose thereon.

The question was put on the subamendment of Tony Martin and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 1; NAYS: 9.

The question was put on the amendment of Tony Martin and it was negatived.

Clause 8 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Clause 9 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Clause 10 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Clause 11 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Clause 12 carried by a show of hands: YEAS: 8; NAYS: 2.

Clauses 13 to 29 inclusive carried on division severally.

On Clause 30,

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 30, be amended by replacing line 39 on page 8 with the following:

“is satisfied that the information will be used for a purpose consistent with the purpose for which it was collected and the information is”

Debate arose thereon.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Christiane Gagnon and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 8.

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That Bill C-22, in Clause 30, be amended by replacing lines 7 and 8 on page 9 with the following:

“enforcement of a law if the Minister is satisfied that the information will be used for a purpose consistent with the purpose for which it was collected and the information is made”

Debate arose thereon.

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Christiane Gagnon and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 8.

Clause 30 carried on division.

By unanimous consent, Clauses 31 to 67 inclusive carried on division.

Clauses 68 to 70 inclusive carried on division severally.

The Short Title carried on division.

The Title carried on division.

The Bill carried.

ORDERED, — That the Chair report the Bill to the House.

At 1:01 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/02/18 12:58 p.m.

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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 20**

**Tuesday, February 22, 2005**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 20

Tuesday, February 22, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:12 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee do meet next Thursday, at the same time, to continue discussions on future business from a list of suggestions.

At 12:04 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Georges Etoke  
Committee Clerk

2005/02/23 8:43 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 21**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 21

Thursday, February 24, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:14 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki and Tony Martin.

*Acting Members present:* Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 12:01 p.m., Paul Forseth took the Chair.

It was agreed, — That, the Committee do meet on Tuesday, March 8, 2005 to commence the study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs, and on Thursday, March 10, 2005 to examine the appointment of Philippe Rabot, as Commissioner of Canada Pension Plan / Old Age Security Review Tribunals.

At 12:19 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Georges Etoke  
Committee Clerk

2005/02/25 9:04 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 22**

**Tuesday, March 8, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Tony Martin  
Peter Van Loan

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.



**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Michael Saucier, Director General, Labour Market and Official  
Language Minority Communities.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 22

Tuesday, March 8, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:06 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Michael J. Saucier, Director General, Labour Market and Official Language Minority Communities.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:55 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:57 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera* to discuss its future business.

It was agreed, — That Minister Ken Dryden and Minister Lucienne Robillard be invited March 22, 2005 to appear before the Committee regarding Supplementary Estimates.

At 1:04 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/03/16 1:53 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 23**

**Thursday, March 10, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, the Committee commenced consideration of the certificate of nomination of Philippe Rabot to the position of Commissioner of Canada Pension Plan / Old Age Security Review Tribunals which was referred to the Committee on February 21, 2005.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams  
Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Tony Martin  
Yasmin Ratansi.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard,  
Marcel Gagnon for Yves Lessard.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*As an Individual:*

Philippe Rabot, Chair, Royal Canadian Mounted Police External  
Review Committee.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Meeting No. 23

Thursday, March 10, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:06 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin and Yasmin Ratansi.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard and Marcel Gagnon for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: As an Individual:* Philippe Rabot, Chair, Royal Canadian Mounted Police External Review Committee.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, the Committee commenced consideration of the certificate of nomination of Philippe Rabot to the position of Commissioner of Canada Pension Plan / Old Age Security Review Tribunals which was referred to the Committee on February 21, 2005.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

On motion of Paul Forseth, it was agreed, — That the Committee waive further consideration of the nomination of Philippe Rabot for appointment to the position of Commissioner of Canada Pension Plan (CPP) / Old Age Security (OAS) Review Tribunal.

At 11:50 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:52 a.m., the sitting resumed in camera to discuss future business.

It was agreed, — That regarding the study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs, the Committee invite on March 24th, 2005, ONESTEP The Ontario Network of Employment Skills Training Project, The Canadian CED Network, The Canadian Coalition of Community Based Employability Training and The Canadian Hearing Society and invite on April 5th, 2005, Pathways Skill Development & Placement Centre, PRO Training, the Ontario Association of Youth Employment Centres and New Westminster Community Development Society.

It was agreed, — That March 22nd, 2005 the Committee hear on the Supplementary Estimates Minister Joe Fontana from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and Ministre Ken Dryden from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m..

At 12:36 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.



Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/03/14 3:20 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 24**

**Tuesday, March 22, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study of expenses of the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and the Department of Social Development.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Yves Lessard  
Yasmin Ratansi  
Peter Van Loan.

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

David Christopherson  
Peter Julian.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development  
Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*  
Maryantonett Flumian, Deputy Minister of Labour;  
Terry Hearn, Comptroller.

*Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:*  
Karen Kinsley, President.

*Department of Social Development:*  
Nicole Jauvin, Deputy Minister  
David Baxter, Comptroller  
Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister  
Christian Dea, Acting Director General, Knowledge and Research  
Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Assistant  
Deputy Ministers Office.

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Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 24

Tuesday, March 22, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Associate Members present:* David Christopherson and Peter Julian.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Ken Dryden, Minister of Social Development; Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Maryantonett Flumian, Deputy Minister of Labour; Terry Hearn, Comptroller. *Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:* Karen Kinsley, President. *Department of Social Development:* Nicole Jauvin, Deputy Minister; David Baxter, Comptroller; Susan Scotti, Assistant Deputy Minister; Christian Dea, Acting Director General, Knowledge and Research; Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Assistant Deputy Ministers Office.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), study of expenses of the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development and the Department of Social Development.

The Minister Joe Fontana made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:07 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:11 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Minister Ken Dryden made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:23 p.m., Paul Forseth, Vice-Chair took the Chair.

At 1:02 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/03/22 2:52 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 25**

**Thursday, March 24, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin  
and Peter Van Loan.

**OTHER MEMBER PRESENT:**

Jack Layton.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Canadian Hearing Society:*

Gary Malkowski, Vice-President, Consumer and Government and  
Corporate Relations;

Monique Doolittle-Romas, Regional Director.

*Ontario Network of Employment Skills Training Project:*

Bernadette Beaupré, Executive Director;

Minerva Hui, Board Member.

*Canadian CED Network:*

Rupert Downing, Executive Director;

Eunice Grayson, Founding member.

*Canadian Coalition of Community Based Employability Training:*

Sandra Glass, Vice-Chair;

Norma Strachan.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 25

Thursday, March 24, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:12 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Other Members present:* Jack Layton.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Canadian Hearing Society:* Gary Malkowski, Vice-President, Consumer and Government and Corporate Relations; Monique Doolittle-Romas, Regional Director. *Ontario Network of Employment Skills Training Project:* Bernadette Beaupré, Executive Director; Minerva Hui, Board Member. *Canadian CED Network:* Rupert Downing, Executive Director; Eunice Grayson, Founding member. *Canadian Coalition of Community Based Employability Training:* Sandra Glass, Vice-Chair; Norma Strachan.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

Tony Martin moved, — That the Committee write to Minister Lucienne Robillard asking for a letter of assurance that any person or organisation appearing before this Committee not be in jeopardy of losing their funding.

Unanimous consent required to waive the 48 hour notice to present this motion was denied.

It was agreed, — That April 5th and 7th 2005, the Canadian Coalition of Community-Based Employability Training, Les Oeuvres de la Maison Dauphine, the Centre d'assistance et d'accompagnement aux plaintes, plus two other Quebec organisations be invited to appear.

It was agreed, — That the Chair verify with the Hon. Lucienne Robillard if she could appear April 12, 2005 before the Committee regarding the new Human Resources and Skills Development Canada Call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs and at an ulterior date on the Main Estimates.

At 1:15 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:20 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

At 1:48 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/03/29 4:18 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco. Lib.

**Meeting No. 26**

**Tuesday, April 5, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Tony Martin  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*New Westminster Community Development Society :*

Vicki Austad, Executive Director.

*Chambre de commerce et d'industrie Thérèse-De-Blainville:*

Annie Bélanger, Director General;  
Rosalie Clément-Jolette, Project Coordinator.

*Pathways Skill Development & Placement Centre:*

Paul Hubert, Executive Director;  
Anne Langille.

*Ontario Association of Youth Employment Centres:*

Matt Wood, Executive Director.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee





## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 26

Tuesday, April 5, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:05 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: New Westminster Community Development Society :* Vicki Austad, Executive Director. *Chambre de commerce et d'industrie Thérèse-Blainville:* Annie Bélanger, Director General; Rosalie Clément-Jolette, Project Coordinator. *Pathways Skill Development & Placement Centre:* Paul Hubert, Executive Director; Anne Langille. *Ontario Association of Youth Employment Centres:* Matt Wood, Executive Director.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

On motion of Peter Adams, it was agreed, — That the letter sent to Mr. David Carter-Whitney from Mr. Gary Malkowski regarding his March 24th, 2005, testimony be appended to the minutes of evidence of the April 5th, 2005, meeting.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:47 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:50 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

It was agreed, — That April 12th, 2005, the Committee invite an Official from the Department of Human Resources and Skills Development, the Canadian Employment and Immigration Union, Gateway Café and the Ontario March of Dimes.

At 1:12 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/04/06 10:30 a.m.



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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 27**

**Thursday, April 7, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth  
and Christiane Gagnon.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Tony Martin,  
and Susan Kadis for Yasmin Ratansi.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Centre d'assistance et d'accompagnement aux plaintes:*

Luc Labbé, Director General;

Claude Séguin.

*Les Oeuvres de la Maison Dauphine:*

Michel Boisvert, Director General;

Pierre Dallaire, Funding Liaison Officer.

*Canadian Coalition of Community Based Employability Training:*

Nicole Galarneau, Co-Chair.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 27

Thursday, April 7, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:16 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth and Christiane Gagnon.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin and Susan Kadis for Yasmin Ratansi.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Centre d'assistance et d'accompagnement aux plaintes:* Luc Labbé, Director General; Claude Séguin. *Les Oeuvres de la Maison Dauphine:* Michel Boisvert, Director General; Pierre Dallaire, Funding Liaison Officer. *Canadian Coalition of Community Based Employability Training:* Nicole Galarneau, Co-Chair.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:48 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:51 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

It was agreed, — That the budget in the amount of \$ 17,600 for the study regarding the new Human Resources and Skills Development Canada Call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs be adopted.

Pursuant to the 48 hours notice the following motion was tabled: «That the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada guarantee in writing that no witnesses suffer recrimination i.e. job loss or agency funding, because of testimony before this Committee.»

At 1:21 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/04/08 10:56 a.m.

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**STANDING COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RESOURCES, SKILLS  
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STATUS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 28**

**Tuesday, April 12, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon,  
and France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.



**OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jack Layton.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Ontario March of Dimes:*

Steven Christianson, Government Relations Coordinator.

*Gateway Café:*

Diana Gatti, Divisional Coordinator.

*Réseau des Carrefours Jeunesse-emploi du Québec:*

Pierre Gingras, Director General.

*Ontario March of Dimes:*

Jerry Lucas, Vice-President.

*Canadian Employment Immigration Union:*

Jeannette Meunier-McKay, National President;

Alan Lennon, Senior Union Representative.

*Réseau des Carrefours Jeunesse-emploi du Québec:*

Yves Picard, Director General.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Michael J. Saucier, Director General, Labour Market and Official  
Language Minority Communities.

Jerry Lucas, Diana Gatti, Jeannette Meunier-McKay, Pierre Gingras and Yves Picard made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 28

Tuesday, April 12, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:04 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon and France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*Other Members present:* Jack Layton.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Ontario March of Dimes:* Steven Christianson, Government Relations Coordinator. *Gateway Café:* Diana Gatti, Divisional Coordinator. *Réseau des Carrefours Jeunesse Emploi du Québec:* Pierre Gingras, Director General. *Ontario March of Dimes:* Jerry Lucas, Vice-President. *Canadian Employment Immigration Union:* Jeannette Meunier-McKay, National President; Alan Lennon, Senior Union Representative. *Réseau des Carrefours Jeunesse Emploi du Québec:* Yves Picard, Director General. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Michael J. Saucier, Director General, Labour Market and Official Language Minority Communities.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

Jerry Lucas, Diana Gatti, Jeannette Meunier-McKay, Pierre Gingras and Yves Picard made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:46 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:51 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Michael Saucier made a statement and answered questions.

By unanimous consent, the motion tabled by Yvon Godin:

That the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada guarantee in writing that no witnesses suffer recrimination i.e. job loss or agency funding, because of testimony before this Committee, was withdrawn.

At 1:27 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/04/13 2:50 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 29**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 29

Thursday, April 14, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:08 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Vice-Chair, Christiane Gagnon, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Guy Lauzon for Paul Forseth.

*Associate Members present:* France Bonsant.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to give the analysts drafting instructions for a report on the study on the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals on Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

At 13:00 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/04/21 9:33 a.m.



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Chair: Raymonde Folco. Lib.

**Meeting No. 30**

**Tuesday, April 19, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 1, 5 and 15 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.



**ASSOCIATE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant.

**OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Anthony Rota.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development);

Hon. Lucienne Robillard, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Terry Hearn, Comptroller;

Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister;

Michael J. Saucier, Director General;

Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy;

Joanne Lamothe, General Director - Aboriginal and Youth Program.

*Department of Human Resources Development (Social Development):*

Phil Jensen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment Programs Branch.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 30

Tuesday, April 19, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:09 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Associate Members present:* France Bonsant.

*Other Members present:* Anthony Rota.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development); Hon. Lucienne Robillard, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Terry Hearn, Comptroller; Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister; Michael J. Saucier, Director General; Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy; Joanne Lamothe, General Director - Aboriginal and Youth Program. *Department of Human Resources Development (Social Development):* Phil Jensen, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment Programs Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 1, 5 and 15 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

Honourable Lucienne Robillard and Honourable Claudette Bradshaw made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

The Chair ruled that members should not ask the Minister questions relating to the supposed intimidation of witnesses who appeared before the Committee as this Committee will be discussing this issue at a later date.

Whereupon, Tony Martin appealed the decision of the Chair.

The question "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?" was put and the decision was sustained by a show of hands: YEAS:5; NAYS:4.

At 1:13 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:17 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

It was agreed, — That a letter be written to the Speaker of the House of Commons bringing to his attention the fact

that a member of Parliament had leaked to some witnesses the “New Directives Governing the Administration and Management of Contribution Agreements in Human Resources and Skills Development Canada” and that the Speaker take the measures he feels appropriate in the circumstances .

At 1:52 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/04/21 8:49 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 31**

**Tuesday, May 3, 2005**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 31

Tuesday, May 3, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 371 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The Committee proceeded to discuss its future business and consider its draft report on its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

At 12:15 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/05/03 1:55 p.m.





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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 32**

**Thursday, May 5, 2005**

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 32

Thursday, May 5, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 307 West Block, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin and Yasmin Ratansi.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 1:06 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/05/05 4:04 p.m.



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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 33**

**Tuesday, May 10, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 1, 5 and 15 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams  
Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Tony Martin  
Yasmin Ratansi  
Peter Van Loan.



**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard  
Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure of the Standing Committee on  
Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status  
of Persons with Disabilities:*

Chantal Collin.

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety:*

Len Hong, President and Chief Executive Officer, Labour Branch.

*Canada Industrial Relations Board:*

Warren Edmondson, President

Robert Cook, General Counsel and Director, Legal Services.

*Canadian Artists and Producers Professional Relations Tribunal:*

David Silcox, Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer

Josée Dubois, Executive Director and General Counsel.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 33

Tuesday, May 10, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:23 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard and Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities:* Chantal Collin. *Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety:* Len Hong, President and Chief Executive Officer, Labour Branch. *Canada Industrial Relations Board:* Warren Edmondson, President; Robert Cook, General Counsel and Director, Legal Services. *Canadian Artists and Producers Professional Relations Tribunal:* David Silcox, Chairperson and Chief Executive Officer; Josée Dubois, Executive Director and General Counsel.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 10, 20 and 25 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

Len Hong, Warren Edmondson and David Silcox made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:16 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:18 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108 (1) (a), the Committee authorize the printing of the dissenting opinion of the NDP and the BQ, as an appendix to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair; that the dissenting opinion(s) be limited to not more than 2 pages; (font = 12; line spacing = 1.5) and that the dissenting opinion(s) be delivered in electronic format in both official languages to the Clerk of the Committee not later than 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 11, 2005.

Pursuant to the forty-eight (48) hours' notice, it is moved by Mr. Tony Martin — That the Committee investigate the serious allegations made by the Canadian CED Network regarding the loss of funding of witnesses further to their appearance before the Committee.

At 1:39 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005-05-10 4:31 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 34**

**Thursday, May 12, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Tony Martin  
and Yasmin Ratansi.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;

WITNESS:

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst, Economics Division.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 34

Thursday, May 12, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:56 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Raymonde Folco, Tony Martin and Yasmin Ratansi.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst, Economics Division.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The witness made a statement and answered questions.

The Committee discussed matters related to Committee business.

At 12:46 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:47 p.m., the sitting resumed in public to discuss matters related to Committee business.

At 1:06 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/05/12 4:30 p.m.





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Chair: Raymonde Folco.

**Meeting No. 35**

**Tuesday, May 17, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard  
and Tony Martin.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard,  
and Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*House of Commons:*  
Gérard Asselin, M.P., Manicouagan;  
Yves Lessard, M.P., Chambly—Borduas.

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 35

Tuesday, May 17, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:20 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard and Tony Martin.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard and Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Witnesses: House of Commons:* Gérard Asselin, M.P., Manicouagan; Yves Lessard, M.P., Chambly—Borduas.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee commenced consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:00 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:02 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on February 24, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the New Human Resources and Skills Development Canada call for proposals Criteria for Funding Community Programs.

The Committee resumed consideration of a draft report.

It was agreed, — That the report “An examination of new directives governing contribution agreements for selected programs delivered on behalf of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada” (as amended) be adopted as the Sixth Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

That the Clerk be authorized to make such editorial and typographical changes as necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

That the Chair be authorised to table the Report in the House.

That the Committee print up to 550 copies of its Report in a bilingual format.

That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government provide a

comprehensive response to this Report within one hundred and twenty (120) days.

It was agreed, — That the press release just read be sent immediately upon the tabling of the Report with the Clerk of the House of Commons adding the fact that two dissident opinions are also being tabled with the Report.

At 12:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/05/18 3:21 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 36**

**Thursday, May 19, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee commenced consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 1, 5 and 15 under Department of Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Peter Adams,  
Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Carole Lavallée for Yves Lessard,  
Christian Simard for Christiane Gagnon,  
and Robert Vincent for Christiane Gagnon.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing.

**WITNESSES:**

*As an Individual:*

Harry Arthurs, Commissioner of Federal Labour Standards  
Review.

*Federal Labour Standards Review Commission:*

Neil Gavigan, Senior Director.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister;  
Terry Hearn, Comptroller.

*Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:*

Karen Kinsley, President.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 36

Thursday, May 19, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:04 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Carole Lavallée for Yves Lessard, Christian Simard for Christiane Gagnon and Robert Vincent for Christiane Gagnon.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Joe Fontana, Minister of Labour and Housing.

*Witnesses: As an Individual:* Harry Arthurs, Commissioner of Federal Labour Standards Review.

*Federal Labour Standards Review Commission:* Neil Gavigan, Senior Director. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister; Terry Hearn, Comptroller. *Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation:* Karen Kinsley, President.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(4), the Committee resumed consideration of the Main Estimates 2005-2006: Votes 5 and 15 under DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT referred to the Committee on Friday, February 25, 2005.

The Minister made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:17 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:21 p.m., the sitting resumed.

Mr. Harry Arthurs made a statement and answered questions.

At 1:02 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:04 p.m., the sitting resumed.

At 1:09 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 37**

**Tuesday, May 31, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.

**OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gérard Asselin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and  
Social Policy Branch;  
Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy;  
Luc Leduc, Senior Counsel, Legal Services, Employment  
Insurance.

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Tuesday, May 31, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.

*Other Members present:* Gérard Asselin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch; Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy; Luc Leduc, Senior Counsel, Legal Services, Employment Insurance.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

The witnesses answered questions.

At 1:01 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/05/31 2:58 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 38**

**Thursday, June 2, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Hon. Denis Coderre for Peter Van Loan,  
and Tom Lukiwski for Peter Van Loan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Chantal Collin, Analyst;

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*House of Commons:*

Wayne Cole, Legislative Clerk.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch;

Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy;

Luc Leduc, Senior Counsel, Legal Services, Employment Insurance.

*Department of Finance:*

Clare Scullion, Senior General Counsel.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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Meeting No. 38

Thursday, June 2, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:11 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Denis Coderre for Peter Van Loan and Tom Lukiwski for Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst. *House of Commons:* Wayne Cole, Legislative Clerk.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch; Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy; Luc Leduc, Senior Counsel, Legal Services, Employment Insurance. *Department of Finance:* Clare Scullion, Senior General Counsel.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

Peter Adams moved, — That the provisions of Bill C-280 be referred to the Speaker for a ruling with respect to the need for a Royal Recommendation and that the Chair report accordingly to the House.

The question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 6; NAYS: 5.

Yves Lessard moved, — That the Speaker rule expeditiously so that the Committee can dispose of the Bill clause by clause before the holidays.

At 12:00 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:07 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The question was put on the motion and it was agreed to, by a show of hands: YEAS: 7; NAYS: 3.

At 12:10 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 39**

**Tuesday, June 7, 2005**

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**IN CAMERA**





## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 39

Tuesday, June 7, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Vice-Chair, Paul Forseth, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Ken Boshcoff for Raymonde Folco, Susan Kadis for Yasmin Ratansi, Tom Lukiwski for Ed Komarnicki and Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Jean-Rodrigue Paré, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of the report of the Subcommittee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

At 12:55 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/06/07 3:06 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 40**

**Thursday, June 9, 2005**

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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 40

Thursday, June 9, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:15 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Gary Carr for Hon. Peter Adams, Peter Julian for Tony Martin and Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

*Associate Members present:* Ken Boshcoff.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Jean-Rodrigue Paré, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to consider the Report of Subcommittee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

It was agreed, — That the draft report “ Accessibility for all ” (as amended), of the Subcommittee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities be adopted as the Eight Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

That the Clerk be authorized to make such editorial and typographical changes as necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

That the Chair be authorised to table the Report in the House.

That the Committee print up to 550 copies of its Report in a bilingual format.

That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government provide a comprehensive response to this Report within one hundred and twenty (120) days.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to Standing Order 108 (1) (a), the Committee authorizes the printing of the dissenting opinion of the Bloc Québécois as an appendix to this report immediately after the signature of the Chair; that the dissenting opinion be limited to not more than one and a half page; (font = 12; line spacing = 1.5) and that the dissenting opinion be delivered in electronic format in both official languages to the Clerk of the Committee not later than noon, June 10, 2005.

At 1:13 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/06/09 4:15 p.m.





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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 41**

**Tuesday, June 14, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of the Government Response to the Report on Employment Insurance Funds.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst;  
Chantal Collin, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Belinda Stronach, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development;  
Hon. Peter Adams, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Diane Carroll, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment Programs Policy and Design;  
Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister;  
Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy.

*Department of Finance:*

Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch.

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Meeting No. 41

Tuesday, June 14, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:02 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Belinda Stronach, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development; Hon. Peter Adams, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Diane Carroll, Assistant Deputy Minister, Employment Programs Policy and Design; Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister; Bill James, Director General, Employment Insurance Policy. *Department of Finance:* Réal Bouchard, Director General, Federal-Provincial Relations and Social Policy Branch.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2), the Committee commenced its study of the Government Response to the Report on Employment Insurance Funds.

Christiane Gagnon moved, — That the Committee proceed immediately to the clause-by-clause study of Bill C 280.

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 3; NAYS: 7.

The Minister made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 1:04 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/06/14 3:28 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 42**

**Thursday, June 16, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Yasmin Ratansi  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst;

Chantal Collin, Analyst.

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Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 42

Thursday, June 16, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:45 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Yvon Godin for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst; Chantal Collin, Analyst.

Pursuant to the Order of Reference of Wednesday, April 13, 2005, the Committee resumed consideration of Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

Peter Adams moved, — That, based on the Speaker's ruling, the Committee do not proceed with Bill C-280 .

After debate, the question was put on the motion and it was negatived, by a show of hands: YEAS: 5; NAYS: 6.

Clause 1 carried on the following recorded division: YEAS: Barry Devolin, Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Peter Van Loan — 6; NAYS: Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Paul Forseth, Yasmin Ratansi — 5.

On Clause 2,

Peter Van Loan moved, — That Bill C-280, in Clause 2, be amended by adding after line 16 on page 4 the following:

“(1.1) Amounts referred to in paragraph 72(1)(a) shall be paid annually in equal amounts over a period of ten years.”

After debate, the question was put on the amendment of Peter Van Loan and it was agreed to on the following recorded division: YEAS: Barry Devolin, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Peter Van Loan — 7; NAYS: Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Yasmin Ratansi — 4.

Clause 2, as amended, carried on the following recorded division: YEAS: Barry Devolin, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Peter Van Loan — 7; NAYS: Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Yasmin Ratansi — 4.

Clause 3 carried on the following recorded division: YEAS: Barry Devolin, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Peter Van Loan — 7; NAYS: Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Yasmin Ratansi — 4.

Clause 4 carried on the following recorded division: YEAS: Barry Devolin, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Yvon Godin, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Peter Van Loan — 7; NAYS: Peter Adams, Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Yasmin Ratansi — 4.

On Clause 5,



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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 43**

**Tuesday, June 21, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on June 16, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of concerns of certain members of the Committee relating to Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rodger Cuzner for Yasmin Ratansi,  
and Tom Lukiwski for Paul Forseth.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Chantal Collin, Analyst;  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 43

Tuesday, June 21, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:42 a.m. this day, in Room 705 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Rodger Cuzner for Yasmin Ratansi and Tom Lukiwski for Paul Forseth.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Chantal Collin, Analyst; Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on June 16, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of concerns of certain members of the Committee relating to Bill C-280, An Act to amend the Employment Insurance Act (Employment Insurance Account and premium rate setting) and another Act in consequence.

The Committee proceeded to discuss its future business in camera.

It was agreed, — That, in the fall, pursuant to Standing Order 108 (2), the Committee undertake a study on the Canada Social Transfer and shorter studies in the following order: Summer Work Employment Programs; Barriers to mobility among workers and Aboriginal Labour Market Measures delivered by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

It was agreed, — That a study on Access on the Hill be delegated to the Subcommittee for Persons with Disabilities.

It was agreed, — That, if the House sits next week, the Committee commence its study on Summer Work Employment Programs with a briefing session by HRSDC officials June 28th, 2005 and the selection of witnesses June 30th, 2005 .

At 12:30 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

#### **Meeting No. 44**

Thursday, September 29, 2005

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 44

Thursday, September 29, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Yasmin Ratansi and Peter Van Loan.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That the Committee would meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. in La Promenade Building.

It was agreed, — That the Committee invite the Minister of Social Development and the Minister of Service Canada to appear in relation to the government responses to the following reports: “An Examination of New Directives Governing Contribution Agreements for Selected Programs Delivered on Behalf of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada” and “Accessibility for All”.

It was agreed, — That, pursuant to the motion adopted by the Committee on June 21st, 2005, the Committee study in the following order: Summer Work Employment Programs, Barriers to Mobility Among Workers and Aboriginal Labour Market Measures delivered by Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

It was agreed, — That the Chair and the Clerk of the Committee, in consultation with members, prepare a scenario in accordance with the budget projection of \$165,190 for possible travel by the Committee on the Canada Social Transfer and that it be studied by the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure.

At 12:16 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/09/30 3:01 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 45**

**Wednesday, October 19, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Todd Norman Russell  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Peter Julian for Tony Martin.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*House of Commons:*

Roger Préfontaine, Procedural Clerk.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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Meeting No. 45

Wednesday, October 19, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 3:34 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, for the purpose of electing a Chair, pursuant to Standing Order 106(1).

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* Peter Julian for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst. *House of Commons:* Roger Préfontaine, Procedural Clerk.

The Clerk of the Committee presided over the election of a Chair.

On motion of Jean-Claude D'Amours, it was agreed, — That Raymonde Folco be elected Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Barry Devolin, it was agreed, — That Paul Forseth be elected as first Vice-Chair of the Committee.

On motion of Yves Lessard, it was agreed, — That Christiane Gagnon be elected as second Vice-Chair of the Committee.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

It was agreed, — That meetings regarding the government response to the 8th Report “Accessibility for All” be referred to the Subcommittee on Status of Persons with Disabilities.

At 3:58 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/10/21 8:49 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 46**

**Thursday, October 20, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of Summer Career Placement Program

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard  
and Todd Norman Russell.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon,  
and Nathan Cullen for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Citizen and Community Service Branch, Service Canada;

Robert Smith, Acting Director General, Aboriginal and Youth Programs Directorate, Citizen and Community Services Branch, Service Canada;

Margo Craig Garrison, Director, Active Employment Measures Policy Division, Active Employment Measures Directorate, Employment Programs Policy and Design Branch;

Julie Lefebvre, Acting Director, Youth Programs of Citizen and Community Branch, Service Canada.

Donna Achimov made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 46

Thursday, October 20, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard and Todd Norman Russell.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon and Nathan Cullen for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Citizen and Community Service Branch, Service Canada; Robert Smith, Acting Director General, Aboriginal and Youth Programs Directorate, Citizen and Community Services Branch, Service Canada; Margo Craig Garrison, Director, Active Employment Measures Policy Division, Active Employment Measures Directorate, Employment Programs Policy and Design Branch; Julie Lefebvre, Acting Director, Youth Programs of Citizen and Community Branch, Service Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of Summer Career Placement Program

Donna Achimov made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:50 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:52, the Committee resumed sitting *in camera*.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 1:13 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 47**

**Tuesday, October 25, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Todd Norman Russell  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon,  
and Peter Julian for Tony Martin.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Debbie Walliser, Manager, Service Canada, Estevan;

Gregory Bloor, Manager, Service Canada, Weyburn.

*Town of Kipling:*

Bert Roach, Community Development Officer.

*Town of Coronach:*

Murray Setrum, Administrator.

*South Burnaby Neighbourhood House:*

Antonia Beck, Executive Director.

*As an Individual:*

Rebecca Finlay, Bachelor of Social Work Student.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 47

Tuesday, October 25, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:08 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon and Peter Julian for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Debbie Walliser, Manager, Service Canada, Estevan; Gregory Bloor, Manager, Service Canada, Weyburn. *Town of Kipling:* Bert Roach, Community Development Officer. *Town of Coronach:* Murray Setrum, Administrator. *South Burnaby Neighbourhood House:* Antonia Beck, Executive Director. *As an Individual:* Rebecca Finlay, Bachelor of Social Work Student.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 1:00 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:00 p.m., the Committee resumed sitting *in camera*.

It was agreed, — That November 3rd, 2005, Statistics Canada be invited to appear before the Committee in relation to the Summer Career Placement Program study.

It was agreed, — That the Clerk of the Committee be authorized to order a very light lunch when the meeting is scheduled from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m..

At 1:05 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/11/01 4:39 p.m.



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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 48**

**Thursday, October 27, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Todd Norman Russell  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon,  
and Libby Davies for Tony Martin.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

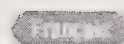
*Canadian Federation of Students - National Office:*  
David Hare, National Treasurer.

*Peterborough Downtown Business Improvement Area:*  
Walter Johnstone, Executive Director.

*St. Joseph's at Fleming:*  
Dawn Berry Merriam.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 48

Thursday, October 27, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:12 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon and Libby Davies for Tony Martin.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Canadian Federation of Students - National Office:* David Hare, National Treasurer.  
*Peterborough Downtown Business Improvement Area:* Walter Johnstone, Executive Director.  
*St. Joseph's at Fleming:* Dawn Berry Merriam.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of Summer Career Placement Program

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 11:55 a.m. Paul Forseth, Vice-Chair, took the Chair.

At 12:24 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/10/27 4:17 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 49**

**Tuesday, November 1, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Tony Martin,  
Todd Norman Russell  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Edmundston Madawaska Tourism Office:*

Johanne Bérubé-Gagné, Director.

*Table de concertation jeunesse Ahuntsic:*

Linda Bourassa, President.

*Centre de services sociaux de Laval (CLSC-CHSLD du Ruisseau-Papineau):*

Nathalie Durand, Technician Human Resources .

*Conseil Sport Loisir de l'Estrée:*

Geneviève Mathieu, Leisure Councilor, Leisure and Sport.

*Fédération québécoise des centres communautaires de loisir:*

Pierre Vigeant, Director General.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 49

Tuesday, November 1, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by videoconference at 11:10 a.m. this day, in Room 701, La Promenade Building, the Vice-Chair, Paul Forseth, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Edmundston Madawaska Tourism Office:* Johanne Bérubé-Gagné, Director. *Table de concertation jeunesse Ahuntsic:* Linda Bourassa, President. *Centre de services sociaux de Laval (CLSC-CHSLD du Ruisseau-Papineau):* Nathalie Durand, Technician Human Resources. *Conseil Sport Loisir de l'Estrée:* Geneviève Mathieu, Leisure Councilor, Leisure and Sport. *Fédération québécoise des centres communautaires de loisir:* Pierre Vigeant, Director General.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

At 11:12 a.m., Raymonde Folco took the Chair.

The witnesses made statements and answered questions.

At 12:51 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/11/03 4:34 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 50**

**Thursday, November 3, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos  
Jean-Claude D'Amours  
Barry Devolin  
Raymonde Folco  
Paul Forseth  
Christiane Gagnon  
Ed Komarnicki  
Tony Martin  
Todd Norman Russell  
Peter Van Loan

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Yves Lessard

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**WITNESSES:**

*Southern Labrador Development Association:*  
Wayne Earle, Employment Counsellor, Employment Assistance Services.

*Statistics Canada:*  
Rosemary Bender, Director, Social and Aboriginal Statistics;  
François Nault, Director, Culture, Tourism and Centre for  
Education Statistics;  
Peter Morrison, Director, Labour Statistics.

Rosemary Bender made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 50

Thursday, November 3, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met by teleconference at 11:09 a.m. this day, in Room 701 La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Tony Martin, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Witnesses: Southern Labrador Development Association:* Wayne Earle, Employment Counsellor, Employment Assistance Services. *Statistics Canada:* Rosemary Bender, Director, Social and Aboriginal Statistics; François Nault, Director, Culture, Tourism and Centre for Education Statistics; Peter Morrison, Director, Labour Statistics.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee resumed its study of the Summer Career Placement Program.

Wayne Earle made a statement and answered questions.

Rosemary Bender made a statement and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:52 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 12:53 p.m., the sitting resumed.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 1:09 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

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Clerk of the Committee

2005/11/04 8:38 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 51**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2005**

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**IN CAMERA**





## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 51

Tuesday, November 15, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:13 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

At 11:33 a.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 11:51 a.m., the sitting resumed.

At 1:07 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005-11-29 9:35 a.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 52**

Thursday, November 17, 2005

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**IN CAMERA**



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 52

Thursday, November 17, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met *in camera* at 11:17 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

The Committee commenced consideration of a draft report on the Summer Career Placement Program.

At 12:48 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

2005/11/21 2:52 p.m.

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 53**

**Tuesday, November 22, 2005**

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**ORDERS OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of the Government response to the Report An Examination of New Directives Governing Contribution Agreements for Selected Programs Delivered on Behalf of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(5), the Committee commenced consideration of the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006: Votes 1a, 5a, 7a, 10a, 15a, 20a, and 25a under Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on October 27, 2005.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Barry Devolin,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth,  
Christiane Gagnon,  
Ed Komarnicki,  
Yves Lessard,  
Tony Martin,  
Todd Norman Russell  
and Peter Van Loan.

**ACTING MEMBER PRESENT:**

France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*

Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

**APPEARING:**

Hon. Belinda Stronach, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development;

Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development).

**WITNESSES:**

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister;

Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister.

*Service Canada:*

Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Citizen and Community Service Branch.

*Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:*

Sherry Harrison, Comptroller.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



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## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 53

Tuesday, November 22, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 11:09 a.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Barry Devolin, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth, Christiane Gagnon, Ed Komarnicki, Yves Lessard, Tony Martin, Todd Norman Russell and Peter Van Loan.

*Acting Members present:* France Bonsant for Christiane Gagnon.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

*Appearing:* Hon. Belinda Stronach, Minister of Human Resources and Skills Development; Hon. Claudette Bradshaw, Minister of State (Human Resources Development).

*Witnesses: Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Alan Nymark, Deputy Minister; Maryantonett Flumian, Associate Deputy Minister. *Service Canada:* Donna Achimov, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Citizen and Community Service Branch. *Department of Human Resources and Skills Development:* Sherry Harrison, Comptroller.

Pursuant to Standing Order 108(2) and the motion adopted by the Committee on September 29, 2005, the Committee commenced its study of the Government response to the Report An Examination of New Directives Governing Contribution Agreements for Selected Programs Delivered on Behalf of Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

Pursuant to Standing Order 81(5), the Committee commenced consideration of the Supplementary Estimates (A) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2006: Votes 1a, 5a and 7a, under Human Resources and Skills Development referred to the Committee on October 27, 2005.

The Ministers made statements and, with the other witnesses, answered questions.

At 12:56 p.m., the sitting was suspended.

At 1:01 p.m., the sitting resumed *in camera*.

The Committee resumed consideration of the draft report on the Summer Career Placement Program.

It was agreed, — That the final report (as amended) on the “Summer Career Placement Program” be adopted as the Tenth Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities

That the Clerk be authorized to make such editorial and typographical changes as necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

That the Chair be authorised to table the Report in the House

That, pursuant to Standing Order 109, the Committee request that the Government provide a comprehensive response to this Report.

At 1:09 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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Chair: Raymonde Folco, Lib.

**Meeting No. 54**

**Monday, November 28, 2005**

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**ORDER OF THE DAY:**

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, the Committee commenced consideration of the certificate of nomination of S. Len Hong to the position of President of the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety which was referred to the Committee on Wednesday, November 23, 2005.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

**MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE PRESENT:**

Hon. Peter Adams,  
Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
Jean-Claude D'Amours,  
Raymonde Folco,  
Paul Forseth  
and Todd Norman Russell.

**ACTING MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Carole Lavallée for Christiane Gagnon,  
Pablo Rodriguez for Hon. Eleni Bakopanos,  
and Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.



**IN ATTENDANCE:**

*Library of Parliament:*  
Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

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Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Meeting No. 54

Monday, November 28, 2005

The Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities met at 1:26 p.m. this day, in Room 705, La Promenade Building, the Chair, Raymonde Folco, presiding.

*Members of the Committee present:* Hon. Peter Adams, Hon. Eleni Bakopanos, Jean-Claude D'Amours, Raymonde Folco, Paul Forseth and Todd Norman Russell.

*Acting Members present:* Carole Lavallée for Christiane Gagnon, Pablo Rodriguez for Hon. Eleni Bakopanos and Robert Vincent for Yves Lessard.

*In attendance: Library of Parliament:* Kevin Kerr, Analyst.

Pursuant to Standing Orders 110 and 111, the Committee commenced consideration of the certificate of nomination of S. Len Hong to the position of President of the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety which was referred to the Committee on Wednesday, November 23, 2005.

On motion of Jean-Claude D'Amours, it was agreed, — That the Committee waive further consideration of the nomination of S. Len Hung for appointment to President of the Canadian Centre for Occupational Health and Safety.

The Committee proceeded to the consideration of matters related to Committee business.

The Chair presented the Second Report from the Subcommittee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

It was agreed, — That the annual report of the Subcommittee on the Status of Persons with Disabilities regarding the 2004 and 2005 Annual Report on the Administration of the Centennial Flame Research Award Act be adopted as the Eleventh Report of the Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills Development, Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities.

That the Clerk be authorized to make such editorial and typographical changes as necessary without changing the substance of the Report.

That the Chair be authorised to table the Report in the House.

At 1:33 p.m., the Committee adjourned to the call of the Chair.

Danielle Bélisle  
Clerk of the Committee

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